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COURT'S OPINION.

Reviews the Testimony and Dismisses Proceedings, Placing Costs on County.

ORIGINAL PLAN TO STAND.

The opinion of the Ccurt, in the matter of a grade crossing, at the south end of the new river bridge at Mifflinville, was handed down on Thursday. The finding is quite lengthy. It reviews all the testimony and sets forth that no order will be made that will in any way effect the judgment of the Court of Quarter sessions entered on July 7th, last. The proceedings are dismissed, and the costs placed upon the County.

Here are some of the reasons given for dismissing the proceedings:

First—That it is the opinion of the Court that the Act of 1901, under which this proceeding was instituted, has no application to the facts here.

Second—That the action of the viewers did not lay out a new or additional public road, or establish a new or additional grade or other crossing of the tracks of the Railroad Company.

Third—That the judgment of the confirmation absolute of these proceedings July 7, 1902, became conclusive unless appeal was duly taken. The bridge was established by that decree. The duty devolves upon the county to build and keep this and all other county bridges in repair, as well as the approaches thereto. The approach to the bridge is a part of the bridge itself. The township road terminates where the approach begins. It is a mistaken view urged on the part of the petitioners that the southern approach of this bridge extends to First street.

Fourth.—Being of the opinion that the decree of the Court of Quarter Sessions confirming these bridge proceedings is now conclusive, and in view of what the County Commissioners have done subsequent to that decree; that certain rights of the contractor have attached; we should feel reluctant to make any changes in the construction of this bridge, unless great necessity required it, even if there were a statute which expressly provided for such change.

Fifth—The evidence of Oscar Thompson, a witness produced by the respondents, is cited in said opinion. Among the cross examination of said Thompson appears the following:

Q. "You wouldn't consider that steel piers, placed upon the same piers there, that they would be as strong as if the original piers had been brought up to that elevation according to the practice and rules of bridge construction?"

Ans. "I would think not. If I were designing a bridge I would carry the stone work all the way to the top."

Q. "You would calculate that carrying the stone work up would be much better than steel piers?"

Ans. "Yes, sir."

Q. "And in carrying that stone work up you would want to commence at the bottom to build it up to the additional height?"

Ans. "Certainly."

The respondent's proposed change of this bridge, so as to accommodate an overhead crossing, would greatly enlarge the bridge, and increase the cost of its construction. It has been held that "where a bridge is to be enlarged or improved, viewers should be appointed as for a new bridge." 3 Delaware, 165.

The circumstances here show that the second section of the Act of April 11, 1848, would present another barrier to the accomplishment of such purpose; because the contractor and County Commissioners have not agreed to the proposed alteration.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Cora Foye to Charles S. Ranck, assistant at the P. & R. station. The wedding will take place on Tuesday evening, April 14th at eight o'clock, at the bride's home.

The mother of Rev. D. N. Kirkby sailed from New York last Friday for a trip to the Bermudas, on a passenger steamer of which another son is the Captain. The trip will take about a month.

Injunction Proceedings

Rival Electric Light Companies Line up Before Judge Newcomb on Monday.

DECISION WITHHELD.

Grant Herring and T. J. Vanderslice defended the interests of the Irondale Electric Light, Heat & Power Company at the hearing of the injunction served on them by the American Electric Light & Power Company, in which they asked for a decree establishing the respective rights of the two companies "and fixing and determining the manner in which the wires and lines of the defendant company may cross over or below the lines of the plaintiff or through the space already occupied by the plaintiff or through any ajacent space which may be necessary to the plaintiff for the future growth of their business."

Fred Ikeler and A. W. Duy represented the plaintiff company.

Judge Newcomb of the Lackawanna county courts especially presided with associates Fox and Krickbaum.

The immediate nearness of the rival companies, lines appears to have caused all the trouble. The American Electric Light Company claims that the lines of the other company, in order to insure safety, should clear their lines by at least five feet. The defendant company insists that a twenty-two inch clearance, horizontally, is all that is necessary and that there will be perfect safety at that distance.

The plaintiffs called as witnesses M. J. Tracy and Warren Webb, both employees of the company and Eugene F. McCabe, manager of the Electric Light Company at Lewistown, George M. West, superintendent of the Danville Electric Company, and T. F. Coagland, superintendent of the Carbondale Electric Light Company. The first named witness described the extreme closeness of the wires at the corner of Iron and Main streets. Mr. Herring, however, stated that the condition at the point referred to by witness was only temporary, and that it was the purpose to have the wires clear the plaintiff's wires by twenty-two inches. As a practical lineman the witness gave it as his opinion that the distance separating the two companies' lines should be five feet.

The testimony of E. F. McCabe was to the effect that if the wires of the one company came in contact with the low tension wires of the other company trouble of a serious nature would result. Telephone companies he said have trouble at five feet and he didnt see why electric light companies wouldnt have trouble also. On cross examination he said that for mechanical reasons he would have them three feet apart where they run horizontally. A twenty-two inch clearance he considered would interfere with the practical operation of the plant.

Geo. M. West and T. F. Coagland substantiated the testimony of Mr. McCabe.

For the defendant company, H. M. Rust, an electrical engineer of Wilkes-Barre, was called. He said that if the lines are 12 or 15 inches apart there could be no practical interference. A clearance of 22 inches vertically and 12 inches horizontally, he said would not cause any appreciable effect. The cross examination brought from the witness an admission that if the wires were ever less than 12 inches there would be trouble, and also that there was danger from sagging wires.

W. O. Dewitt, superintendent of the Irondale Company, when called to the stand said that the condition at Iron and Main streets was caused by the non arrival of poles and that new and higher poles would be put up.

Dr. W. M. Reber, president of the new company, testified that he had instructed the linemen not to go closer than 22 inches vertically and 15 inches horizoutally.

Argument was made Wednesday morning by Fred Ikeler for the plaintiffs and Grant Herring for the defendant. Judge Newcomb took the case and will make known his decree later.

The examinations at the Normal School will begin on June 8th.

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The machine is one of the very finest manufactured, and the X-Rays given by it are pronounced by Dr. Bierman to be the most satisfactory he has ever seen. It will be utilized by the doctor in his own practice as well as in doing work for other physicians, making skiagraphs (X-Ray pictures) and treating patients.

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MUSIC RECITAL TONIGHT.

Miss Delia Geisinger's music pupils, assisted by other able local talent will give a musical in the Library room this evening. The program is an excellent one, and consists of recitations, and vocal and instrumental solos and duets. The proceeds will be devoted to the Library fund, and the room should and no doubt will be crowded.

HIS FAREWELL SERMON.

Rev. M. E. McLinn's pastorate of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church terminated Sunday evening, when he delivered his farewell sermon to a congregation, which taxed the capacity of the church. Every available space was occupied, even the aisles being filled. Sprinkled among the vast audience were people from many other churches who had come to hear his last words and to make manifest their esteem for the departing pastor. During the several years of his work here, Rev. McLinn, has by his exemplary life, and Christian bearing, won a place in the hearts of our people, and formed a link which time or distance will not break.

As a token of esteem the congregation presented him with a purse, containing $100. Mrs. McLinn was also kindly remembered.

Rev. and Mrs. McLinn left Bloomsburg on Tuesday for his new charge at Appolo, Armstrong County.

A BUSINESS FAILURE.

A judgment of four thousand dollars has been entered by confession in the Prothonotary's office, against J. Lee Martin, jeweler and optician, and it is said that other debts of more than two thousand dollars are outstanding. An execution has been issued and the entire stock in the store levied on. Mr. Martin has been ill for some time and has been in Philadelphia undergoing medical treatment. It is likely that an effort may be made to compromise with his creditors, and should this fail, bankruptcy proceedings may be instituted.

Commissioner G. W. Sterner has moved into his brick house on Market street, after residing at the Red Mill in Hemlock township for several years. During all of that time he has brought his children to the Normal School each morning, and come for them at night with his horse and buggy. No doubt this was at times a serious inconvenience to him, but he believes in education and has gone to more trouble for his children's sake than very many fathers would have done.

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PENNELL SUSPECTED

Identity of Burdick's Slayer Not Proved.

JUDGE MURPHY'S INQUEST VERDICT

Dead Lawyer Had a Stronger Motive Than Any One Else, but Guilt Was Not Established.

BUFFALO, April 1.—The verdict in the Burdick inquest handed down by Judge Murphy, while stating that the identity of the murderer of Edwin L. Burdick has not been proved, practically charges Arthur R. Pennell, the dead lawyer, with the crime.

Pennell had a stronger motive than any one else for putting Burdick out of the way, Judge Murphy says, and all the facts brought out by the inquest constitute just grounds for the issuance of a warrant against Pennell if he were alive. The verdict is softened somewhat so far as it relates to Pennell by stating that if Pennell were alive he would be given the presumption of innocence until proved guilty.

In the opinion of Judge Murphy, Burdick had no woman guest in his "den" on the night of the murder, and the crime was not the work of a burglar. He exculpates Mrs. Gertrude B. Paine and Miss Hutchinson from any connection with the crime and in conclusion criticises Mrs. Maria A. Hull and censures Mrs. Burdick, the former for her attitude toward the authorities and the inconsistency of her actions with the theory that she had no knowledge of the murder.

Judge Murphy states that he will hold the inquest into the death of Arthur R. Pennell the latter part of this week or the first of next week.

"The Burdick inquest has taught us one thing," said Judge Murphy, "and that is to hold such investigations promptly. The police court inquest is the most natural machinery under the law for investigating such matters. Under it persons under suspicion can be brought before a magistrate and compelled to tell what they know, while there is no chance for sentimental persons to shout against a 'third degree.' It abolishes the 'third degree' absolutely."

Great Rush of Immigrants.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Immigrant arrivals at Ellis island yesterday broke all records for Sunday in the history of the harbor of New York. By nightfall, when Commissioner Williams' staff had sifted through the great mass brought in by the Philadelphia, the Campania, the Savoie and the Graf Waldersee, it was found that 4,569 men, women and children had passed through the shoots and were either needing to their new homes or else waiting further investigation in the detention compartments." This is the beginning of the rush season for immigration, and this year's record is expected to exceed all others by many thousands. During March of last year 54,000 foreign born persons were passed through the bureau. This year March, with two days yet to come, has brought the number up to 64,000, while today and tomorrow will perhaps add 10,000 to the list.

Flood Conditions Improving.

NEW ORLEANS, April 1.—With a net fall of two-tenths of a foot in the past twenty-four hours and encouraging news from the scene of the struggle at Hymelia the river conditions are considerably improved. The only disquieting news of the day was the reported break at Angola, but the importance of this break was minimized to some extent by the news that the damage resulting would be largely confined to the state farm located there. The eleven miles of levees protecting Angola have cost approximately $100,000. The stock and bulk of the convicts there had been removed to the Tunica hills as a matter of precaution and steps taken to protect the camps. The plantation is one of the best in the state, and the cotton grown upon it has been a large source of revenue.

Strippers Get an Advance.

HAZLETON, Pa., April 1.—Coyle Bros., coal operators, have granted the 500 men employed at their strippings an increase of 10 per cent in wages, to go into effect today. This will placate the stripping hands, who were not included in the strike commission award, although they quit work when the miners struck. The stripping employees had agreed in the absence of any concessions to quit in a body and force the issue of a nine hour work day granted all outside men by the commission.

Four Tracks on Lake Shore.

CHICAGO, March 31.—The management of the Lake Shore has decided to four track the system from Chicago to Buffalo, thereby establishing a four track line from Chicago to New York. Nearly 400 men are already at work on the improvement, and within a short time fully 2,000 will be employed. The freight congestion of the last six months was the determining factor in influencing the management to order the improvement.

Healer Gets Nine Months.

BUFFALO, April 1.—A. J. Weichers, professionally known as "Antonius, the magnetic healer," who was convicted on a charge of conspiracy to defraud, has been sentenced to nine months' imprisonment. Dr. Frederick Templeton, his assistant, who pleaded guilty to the same charge, was released on suspended sentence.

Large Offers of Bonds.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The secretary of the treasury has already received offers of 3 and 4 per cent bonds in exchange for 2 per cent consols amounting to $5,617,000.

GREAT TRIP BEGUN.

President Leaves Washington on 14,000 Mile Journey.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The special train on which the president left here today for his western trip was furnished by the Pennsylvania railroad and was one of the finest ever run out of Washington. It had been specially decorated and equipped for the trip. It consisted of six cars, manned by a picked crew, with Conductor William H. Johnson, who has been with the president on many trips, in charge. Spencer Murray was in charge of the president's private car, the Elysian. It has a parlor and observation compartment, three state sleeping rooms, a dining room, two sleeper sections, a kitchen and sleeping sections for servants. The other cars of the train were the Texas, a compartment sleeper; the Senegal, a section sleeper; the St. James, a diner; the Atlantic, a combination buffet and baggage car, and a regular baggage car.

The trip will continue from April 1 until June 5, nine weeks and three days. During that time the president will travel about 14,000 miles.

John Burroughs, the poet naturalist, of New York arrived here. He will accompany President Roosevelt until he arrives at St. Louis, making the tour of the Yellowstone park with him. From St. Louis Mr. Burroughs will return to New York.

President Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia university will join the party at St. Louis and will be the president's guest until he arrives in California. When that state is reached, the president will be joined by Benjamin Ide Wheeler, president of the University of California, who will accompany him through the state.

TERRIBLE FURNACE ACCIDENT.

Six Dead, Ten Fatally Hurt, at Braddock, Pa.

PITTSBURG, April 1.—The accident at furnace 1 of the Edgar Thomson plant of the Carnegie Steel company at Braddock is proving to be one of the worst in the history of the plant in the number of deaths resulting. Twenty men were injured, six of whom have already died, and ten are in the hospital and are not expected to recover. The others injured went to their homes and are suffering from painful burns.

The accident was caused by a "hang" in the furnace dropping and forcing large quantities of white hot dust down a large pipe into a pit where the men were at work. The victims were caught without means of escape, and all were burned and blistered over their entire bodies, and large strips of flesh peeled off their bodies when they were pulled out of the pit by fellow workmen. The cries of agony of the victims as they writhed in the lavalike stuff from which they were vainly trying to extricate themselves could be heard for nearly a block away.

NEW JERSEY'S BUDGET.

A Large Increase Over Last Year's Appropriations.

TRENTON, N. J., March 31.—The joint committee on appropriations made its report last night in the form of two appropriation bills. The annual appropriation bill totals $3,979,300 and the supplemental bill $1,021,056. This makes an aggregate of $5,000,356, an increase of $673,388 over the two bills of a year ago. This increase is accounted for by these items:

For the sanitarium for consumptives, $300,000; increased appropriation for the cure of the insane, $160,000; voting machines, $50,000; Rutgers college, $80,000; Louisiana Purchase exposition, $70,000; payment to Jersey City of taxes improperly collected from the Erie Railroad company, $58,967.

Monuments on Shiloh Battlefield.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Extensive preparations are making for the dedication of nineteen monuments by the state of Indiana on the battlefield of Shiloh, Tennessee, April 6 and 7, the forty-first anniversary of the great battle at that place. The governors of Indiana and Tennessee, together with militia from those states, will take part in the ceremonies. Assistant Secretary Sanger of the war department will represent the secretary of war, who will be unable to attend, and will accept the monuments in behalf of the federal government.

Secretary Baer's Successor.

BOSTON, April 1.—After having devoted six months to the duty of selecting a general secretary to succeed J. Willis Baer the committee of sixteen trustees of the United Society of Christian Endeavor appointed for the purpose have chosen for the office Von Ogden Vogt of Beloit, Wis. Mr. Vogt since his graduation from Beloit college in 1901 has been secretary to the president of that institution and will assume his new duties not later than June 1.

Swift, the Chicago Packer, Dead.

CHICAGO, March 30. — Gustavus Franklin Swift, president of the Swift Packing company, is dead at his home, 4848 Ellis avenue, of internal hemorrhages resulting from a surgical operation performed several days ago. Mr. Swift was sixty-three years old.

Smeltermen's Strike Settled.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., April 1.—The strike of smeltermen has been settled. Manager MacNeil of the United States Reduction and Refining company has promised the advisory board to reinstate the men by May 18.

Alexandra In Denmark.

COPENHAGEN, April 1.—Queen Alexandra has arrived here from London. Her majesty was received at the station by King Christian, the dowager empress of Russia and all the members of the Danish royal family.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly Chronicled.

King Edward has sailed on the royal yacht for Lisbon.

King Oscar of Sweden has resumed the reins of government.

Nine children were bitten by a supposedly mad dog on New York city streets.

The Russian consul at Uskub, European Turkey, has confirmed the reports of the spread of revolutionary activity.

Two were killed and sixteen hurt in a collision on the Naugatuck branch of the New Haven road at Waterbury, Conn.

"Young Corbett" knocked out Terry McGovern in the eleventh round of what was to have been a twenty round contest at San Francisco.

Tuesday, March 31.

R. S. Siever's famous filly Scepter was sold for £25,000.

The seven great cotton mills at Lowell, Mass., are shut down.

Cotton mills at Newmarket, N. H., are closed on account of a dispute with weavers.

William Blake's "Illustrations to the Book of Job" brought $28,000 at auction in London.

The people of Jerusalem were panic striken by a severe earthquake shock. Little damage was done.

Frederick Boscovitz, said to be the last living pupil of Chopin, died at Denver, aged sixty-seven.

John Wanamaker sold the rights and title of Everybody's Magazine to a stock company in New York.

The transport Sheridan sailed for Manila with the Thirteenth cavalry and the Eighteenth infantry.

Heavy damage ashore and afloat was wrought by a storm which has raged along the south Atlantic coast.

General William H. Jackson, a noted Confederate cavalry leader during the civil war, died at Belle Mead, Tenn.

Nearly 10,000 persons joined in London's welcome to General Booth, commander in chief of the Salvation Army.

The presidents of Guatemala and Salvador met on the high sea and arranged the differences between the two republics.

Junius B. Clay, one of the largest land owners in Kentucky and a son of Hon. Cassius M. Clay, was accidentally shot and killed by his wife while they were at target practice.

Former Governor John D. Long, who for nearly three months has been in a Boston infirmary, is now able to go out of doors, taking short walks in the vicinity of the hospital.

Monday, March 30.

The body of General Hector Macdonald was buried in Dean cemetery, Edinburgh.

The French senate rejected the proposed measure for a state monopoly of petroleum.

The United States squadron, consisting of the Chicago, Cincinnati and Machias, arrived at Leghorn, Italy.

Professional safe blowers broke into a grocery store at Springfield, Mass. They obtained $1,200 and escaped.

Mrs. Roosevelt and her children went on board the president's yacht, the Mayflower, to take a week's cruise.

Two lions escaped in Pittsfield, Mass., from the Bostock show. One was shot, and the other was captured.

Herman Bowman Esher, twenty-five years old, of Chicago, a student at Yale university, killed himself in New York.

Robert M. Baker of Worcester and John B. Kenerson of Roxbury, Mass., both freshmen in Dartmouth college, were drowned.

Rioting at Batum and Baku, in the oil districts of Russia, was suppressed by the troops. The vice governor of the district was injured in the trouble.

William V. McKean, who for nearly thirty years was editor in chief of the Public Ledger, died at his home in Philadelphia at the age of eighty-three years.

It was predicted that 15 per cent of the cattle and sheep on the eastern Oregon ranges would be dead of starvation before the new grass crop comes.

A New York laborer who began laughing last Wednesday and laughed his way through every ward in Roosevelt hospital was transferred to Bellevue hospital, still laughing.

Frederick S. Rowe and his brother, Edward F., aged respectively eleven and nine years, were run down and killed by a shifting engine of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Locust Point, Md.

Canada is to have another transcontinental railway. Its terminal will be at Quebec in the east and Port Simpson, B. C., in the west. The road will shorten the distance between England and China 700 miles.

Saturday, March 28.

The German consul at Caracas, Venezuela, accidentally killed himself.

Will Dorsey, colored, was hanged at Birmingham, Ala., for highway robbery.

A number of passengers were hurt in a wreck on the Burlington road near Thompson, Ill.

N. K. Fairbank, multimillionaire Chicago soap manufacturer, died, aged seventy-three years.

The empress of Germany was thrown from her horse while riding at Grunewald, and her right arm was broken.

Governor Batchelder of New Hampshire has signed the license bill and appointed a board of commissioners.

The Sunset limited on the Southern Pacific ran into another passenger train in Texas. Three were killed and nine injured.

The Cuban senate adopted the reciprocity treaty as amended by the United States senate. This action was secured on the strength of President Roosevelt's promise to call an extra session of congress in December to put the treaty in operation.

It was announced in Pittsburg that Mr. Carnegie would give an additional $1,550,000 for the purpose of enlarging the Carnegie library in that city.

Two companies of Maccabeie scouts signally defeated the main body of San Miguel's force. San Miguel and forty-five of his men were killed.

Articles of merger filed by the steel trust at Trenton, N. J., were amended so as to change the name of the new corporation to the Carnegie Steel company.

The entire Bulgarian cabinet has resigned owing to the inability to find any one who will accept the portfolio of war unless the cabinet agreed to the army appropriations.

Friday, March 27.

A boy at Mahanoy City, Pa., was killed by an umbrella thrown by a man whom he had annoyed.

Sir Chen Tung Liang Cheng, Chinese minister to the United States, has arrived at San Francisco.

The jury disagreed in the trial of Mrs. Manson of Putnam, Conn., who was charged with poisoning Mrs. Wilson.

The inquest into the death of Edwin L. Burdick, who was murdered just a month ago in Buffalo, was concluded without definite results.

The textile council voted to order a strike in seven mill corporations at Lowell, Mass., unless its demand for a 10 per cent. increase in wages is granted.

The United States Steel corporation has filed articles at Trenton, N. J., merging constituent companies into the National Steel company, with a capital of $63,000,000.

The explosion of a can of gasoline at the plant of the American Cycle company in Akron, O., resulted in the destruction by fire of the entire works and also the plant of the India rubber company adjoining.

Captain Scott, R. N., commander of the British ship Discovery, penetrated 100 miles farther south than any previous explorer and discovered an extensive mountainous region, hitherto absolutely unknown.

The secretary of the treasury published a circular announcing that on and after April 1, 1903, he will receive for refunding to an amount not exceeding $100,000,000 any of the bonds of the 3 per cent loan of 1908-18 and the 4 per cent funded loan of 1907.

The French chamber of deputies completed the government's programme regarding the male religious orders which applied for authorization to remain in France by refusing by a large majority the application of the Carthusian monks, the wealthiest order in France.

The $101,000,000 canal referendum bill passed the New York assembly by a vote of 87 yeas to 55 nays after a discussion of nine hours, in which party lines were practically abandoned. All but four of the negative votes were cast by Republicans, the Democrats voting almost solidly for the bill.

Thursday, March 26.

Senator Tillman was hissed in Detroit, Mich.

The Marine Villa hotel at Cape May was burned.

Frank M. Steinhart of Illinois was named for consul general at Havana.

The Toronto Opera House was burned; loss, from $100,000 to $150,000.

A wine firm in California has shipped 500 barrels of burgundy wine to Europe.

Joseph Mader, fourteen years old, committed suicide at Haverstraw, N. Y., by hanging in a barn.

Fire in the Hayden Furniture company building at Rochester, N. Y., did damage estimated at $150,000.

Lack of cars to transport product caused the closing of 2,000 coke ove in the New river field, West Virginia.

General Leonard Wood was relieved of further duty in connection with the government of Cuba and thanked by Secretary Root in the name of the president.

In obedience to the wish expressed by congress without a dissenting vote and after sending in a remarkable message President Castro of Venezuela withdrew his resignation.

Major General Sir Hector Macdonald, commanding the British forces in Ceylon and one of the foremost officers in the British army, against whom charges based on immoral acts were filed some time ago, committed suicide at the Hotel Regina, in Paris.

The Irish secretary, Mr. Wyndham, introduced the government's long anticipated Irish land bill in the British house of commons. It proposes a free grant of $60,000,000 for the purposes of the bill. Tenants are to pay 3¼ per cent interest on loans from the government.

By a strictly party vote after nearly seven hours of parliamentary struggle and active filibustering on the part of the Democratic minority led by Senator Grady and twelve roll calls the bill introduced by Senator Raines increasing the liquor license fees by 50 per cent was passed by the New York senate.

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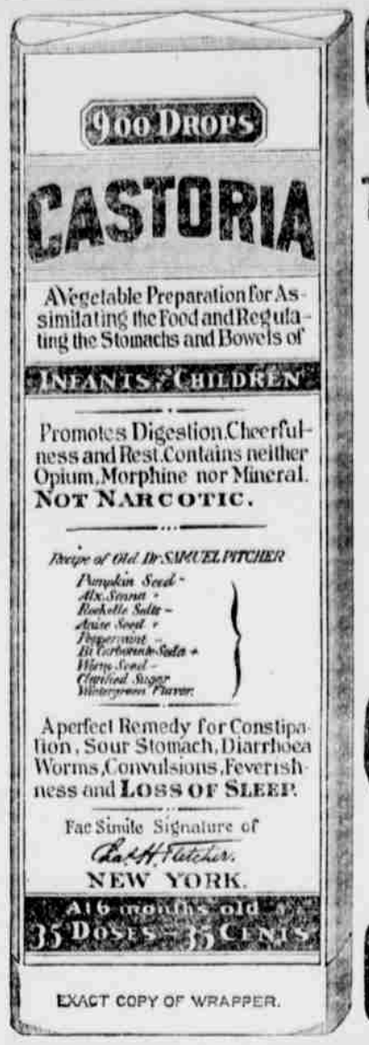
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Rye, do	60
Flour per bbl.	4.00 to 4 40
Hay, per ton	16 00
Potatoes, per bushel	75
Turnips, do	40
Tallow, per pound	06
Shoulder, do	12
Bacon, do	16
Vinegar, per qt	05
Dried apples, per pound	05
Cow hides, do	3½
Steer do do	05
Calf skin	80
Sheep pelts	75
Shelled corn, per bushel	80
Corn meal, cwt	2 00
Bran, cwt	1 20
Chop, cwt	1 50
Middlings, cwt	1 40
Chickens, per pound, new	12
do do old	12
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PROGRESS AT WATERBURY.

Five Trolley Strikers Held For Trial. Others to Be Examined.

WATERBURY, Conn., April 1.—Decided progress was made yesterday in the police court during the trial of the eighteen men charged with assault with intent to kill William Merna and George Morrisette, conductor and motorman respectively of the trolley car which was attacked by a band of masked men on the night of Feb. 26. Five of the trolley strikers, Edward R. Winnegar, William Vandermark, Clifford Vandermark, Harry W. Warren and John Brearton, were bound over to the next term of the superior court under bonds of $2,000 each, probable cause having been found by Judge Peasley. The remaining thirteen prisoners will be arraigned in court today.

The surprise of the hearing was the announcement made by the attorneys for the defense at the conclusion of Winnegar's trial that they put in no defense, Prosecuting Attorney Durant having previously warned them that the testimony in the first case would apply to the other four men.

A portion of the testimony of every witness, which caused considerable comment, was the positive statement of each man that he had been promised immunity from punishment by Colonel Burpee and others provided he told what he knew about the assault.

MARCONIGRAPHIC NEWS.

Regular Transatlantic Service For London Times.

LONDON, March 30.—The Times this morning publishes two messages of over 100 words from its New York correspondent, giving items of American news sent from America by the Marconi wireless system.

In an editorial article the Times says these messages mark the establishment for the first time of the regular commercial transmission of news by the Marconi company.

The paper announces that the day by day transmission of news between the new and old worlds by the Marconi system has been undertaken for the Times upon a contract basis. It says this marks an epoch in the development of telegraphy.

It is added that messages can be sent between England and America by the new system at a rate not much in excess of that for messages between England and France by the old system.

Crum In Charleston Custom House.

CHARLESTON, S. C., April 1.—W. D. Crum has taken charge of the custom house as collector of the port. There was no incident of interest in connection with his assuming office except the immediate tender of his resignation by the chief inspector of customs, which had been placed in the hands of the deputy collector to take effect on the colored official's entrance to authority. There has been some talk here of possible application to the courts for a restraining order against Crum's exercise of the duties of office. It is understood that the matter has been brought to the notice of the mayor, and it is said he has referred it to the corporation counsel for consideration and report, but it is not thought that anything will be done.

Food For Finlanders.

PORTLAND, Me., March 31.—The Eldar-Dempster steamship Yola sailed today for Hango, Finland, with a cargo consisting of 163,822 bushels of oats, 10,000 bushels of rye and 30,715 bushels of barley and a large supply of clothing, money and other articles contributed for the famine stricken Finlanders. This is the third shipment of the kind, each of which came from Canada. The grain will be used for seed next season.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Closing Stock Quotations.

Money on call strong at 6@7 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86875@4.87125 for demand and at $4.83625@4.83875 for 60 day bills. Posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.88. Commercial bills, $4.83@4.84. Bar silver, 49¼c. Mexican dollars, 38½c. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds steady. Closing prices:

Atchison	81⅝	Ontario & West.	30¼
C.,C.,C.& St.L.	83¼	Pacific Mail	36
Ches. & Ohio	45½	People's Gas	101⅞
Del. & Hudson	166½	Reading	58⅞
Erie	35⅝	Rock Island	44⅛
Gen. Electric	189	St. Paul	163⅜
Lead	26	Sugar Refinery	124⅝
Louis. & Nash.	118½	Texas Pacific	35⅝
Manhattan Con.	139¼	Union Pacific	91½
Missouri Pac.	107⅞	Wabash pref.	48¾
N. Y. Central	132¾	West. Union	87½

Live Stock Market.

CATTLE—Market higher; prime, $5.35@5.45; choice, $5.50@5.60; good, $4.90@5.15; veal calves, $6.50@7.

HOGS—Market lower; prime heavies and mediums, $7.60@7.65; heavy Yorkers, $7.45@7.50; light do., $7.35@7.40; pigs, $7.25@7.35; roughs, $6@7.25.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Market higher; best wethers, $6.40@6.65; culls and common, $2.25@4.75; choice lambs, $7.75@8.

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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, March 30, 1903

In view of the certainty of an earnest, concerted effort on his part of the democrats to effect revision of the tariff next session, the views of one of the democratic leaders in the Senate are especially interesting. Senator Bacon, speaking on this important subject, said, "It is a mistake to suppose that the democrats will attempt, even it they have the power, to destroy the tariff system at one fell swoop. On the contrary they would be content with removing a few bricks from the top of the tariff wall. The trust legislation of the past session amounts to nothing, and the trust and the tariff questions are so inter-woven that one cannot be considered without the other. The trusts have succeeded in destroying all competition in their own line of industry, that is, all domestic competition. The tariff saves them from all foreign competition and the result is that the people are compelled to pay for the very necessaries of life whatever prices the trusts may demand. Publicity amounts to nothing as a remedy. Witness the United States Steel Corporation. Its capital stock, dividends, etc. have been given the widest publicity and the only effect, if there is any, is to make an increased demand for steel trust stock. Some good has resulted from the anti-trust agitation, however. The Department of Justice has renewed its efforts to stamp out the trust evils, has acquired greater energy at least, because of the wide manifestation of popular opposition to the trusts. The real demand of the country is for such reduction of the tariff as will destroy the power of the trusts to charge exorbitant prices and will not at the same time injure the legitimate industries of the country." Asked as to the probable democratic candidate, Senator Bacon said he would not care to discuss individuals but the nominee must be acceptable to New York and other states from which it was expected to get support. With regard to the dissension in democratic ranks Mr. Bacon said that it was folly to quarrel over past events. In his judgment the increased production of gold had obviated the necessity of the free silver issue but it was unwise even to discuss the causes and rights of past contentions. The important point now was to meet existing conditions with the proper remedies and a popular candidate.

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Senator Carmack of Tennessee is less reserved with regard to the presidential candidate. He frankly says that the only available candidate now in sight is Judge Parker of New York. In making this assertion Mr. Carmack stipulates that there can be no candidate who did not support the Chicago and Kansas City platforms and that no candidate can be successful who cannot command the vote of New York state. In his judgment Judge Parker could do the latter and he did support the democratic platforms in the two past campaigns. "This", said Mr. Carmack, "is merely a matter of party policy but an important one and it has become all the more important since some of the people have been urging the nomination of a man who has not supported the party in the last two campaigns."

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Mr. Carmack's reference to a man who did not support the party was clearly aimed at Ex-President Cleveland whose proposed western trip is the occasion of curiosity, and to some extent of anxiety, on the part of many democrats. Mr. Cleveland, on the invitation of his old friend Ex-Governor Francis of Missouri, will participate in the dedicatory exercises of the Saint Louis exposition and will there speak from the same platform as President Roosevelt. It is intimated that if his reception at Saint Louis is sufficiently cordial he will extend his trip further west and invade the very heart of the country which gave to Mr. Bryan his strongest support. In the judgment of those democrats who can be seen in Washington there is no possibility of Mr. Cleveland's regaining the favor of the party and his statement that he is not out of politics is "ridiculous", nevertheless it is known that he has some staunch friends and it is hoped that he will not run the risk of creating dissension in the party councils.

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Senator Stone of Missouri takes a hopeful view of the situation. He says that he is convinced that Mr. Bryan has no desire for the nomination himself, although he would not of course desire to see the policy for which he stood repudiated by the nomination of anyone who openly opposed it. On the other hand, in Senator Stone's opinion there are many men in the democratic party who would make excellent presidential timber and it is "poor business" for the democrats to engage in the elimination of men regarded as having, in the past, erred in loyalty to the platform. Mr. Stone also says that any attempt to "eliminate" Mr. Bryan would be attended with disaster. It is freely hinted in Washington that Mr. Stone would himself be a receptive candidate but that proposition he pretends to regard as a joke.

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A most unsavory condition of affairs has developed in the Postoffice Department and one that is likely to bring grave discredit on the republican party. The affairs began with the investigation of the "Get-Rich Quick" schemes and their relations with the legal division of the department. The work of the secret service men brought to light a scandal of huge proportions and many of the officials are involved. Postmaster General Payne, who is always loath to make enemies, has left the city after reluctantly saying that he would stand back of any act of the First Assistant Postmaster General, Robert Wynne. The President has been informed of existing conditions and has ordered that the matter be probed to the bottom. The first tangible evidence of an upheaval came in the resignation of Mr. Beavers, superintendent of the division of salaries and allowances, but it is intimated that other and equally important resignations will be forthcoming in the next few days. Dishonesty and immorality to a shocking degree have already been discovered and persons on the inside say that if the facts ever reach the public they will be found to equal those in the Cuban postoffice at the time that Estesg Rathbone was sentenced to the penitentiary in fact, it is intimated that the present gang was involved in the Rathbone thievery but that they "foresaw the lightning and side stepped" just in time.

THE SPRING GARDENER.

First, the garden should be cleaned. Remove the winter crop of tin cans and throw them over into the next yard. Although you do not need them, somebody else may.

The garden must be digged. To have it done right you must do it yourself. If your neighbors raise (with your help) chickens, or if you support a dog, you may consider that the garden will not require to be touched with a fork at all. However, chickens and dog are apt to work unevenly, and more to suit their own ends than the garden's.

Put in your sunflowers early, so that you may be fortified against cold snaps and cloudy days; and if you are wise enough to get your moonvines to going, you can potter about nights whenever you feel disposed or your deeds demand it.

It is well to devote one corner of the garden to chickweed, for through thus doing you will be independent in the way of Sunday dinners. Although neighbors are very careless as to their live chickens, they are peculiarly sensitive as to their dead ones.

Or, better still, set out some egg-plant. With a thrifty egg-plant one may be perfectly indifferent to the cold storage trust.

Oyster-plants are nice to have. They demand plenty of water. I have known an oyster-plant, well watered, to supply the church socia bles of a community through all a fall and winter and not be exhausted. In making your garden do not forget your church.

An electric plant will prove an excellent bit of forethought. Horse-radishes are now no longer in vogue, and an auto-radish is about to be placed upon the gardener's list; consequently an electric-plant will prove a useful adjunct.

Sugar beets, cucumbers, and violets, planted together, will result in sweet pickles of delicious flavor and aroma. Dutch tulips and Spanish onions are better apart, and if the French kidney-beans and the Irish potatoes are separated it will conduce to harmony. Harmony—the æsthetic side of the garden—should not be neglected.

Don't attempt to accomplish too much. Don't have too large a garden—but, nevertheless, cover all the ground possible. This may sound paradoxical, but by so doing you will speedily ascertain in what direction to proceed. Only experience will teach you fully. If a garden two doors west has lettuce, assuredly it is folly for you to have lettuce in *your* garden.

Variety is the spice of life, and ingenuity will make poor soil bear wonderfully. In fact, given ingenuity, the variety will follow. A man I know, whose back-yard garden would grow apparently nothing but cats, by employing a small basket and a good memory, and by working nights, kept his table bountifully supplied with fresh vegetables the whole summer through.

Never be discouraged. If you fail, try again. Cultivate, cultivate; and especially cultivate your neighbors' dogs. Treat your neighbors' gardens as you would your own, and always fill up the holes.—EDWIN L. SABIN, *in April Lippincott's Magazine.*

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The DuBois school board has very wisely decided that the graduates shall appear in caps and gowns, although some who prefer style to ability, have pleaded with the board to rescind their order. The school board is right and this should be the rule everywhere.—*Raftsman's Journal.*

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NORTHWARD.

STATIONS.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M	P. M.
Sunbury.....leave	$ 6 45	$ 9 55	$ 2 00	$ 5 25
Kilnes Grove	† 6 54	† 10 04	.....	† 5 25
Wolverton	† 6 58	† 10 06	† 2 10	† 5 37
Kipps Run	† 7 06	† 10 11	.....	† 5 44
South Danville	7 11	10 17	2 21	5 50
Danville				
Boyd	† 7 16	† 10 21	† 2 25	† 5 53
Roaring Creek	† 7 23	† 10 28	† 2 31	† 6 01
Catawissa.....Arrive	7 32	10 35	2 36	6 08
Catawissa.....Leave	$ 7 32	† 10 35	$ 2 36	$ 6 08
East Bloomsburg	7 37	10 43	2 43	6 15
Bloomsburg				
Espy Ferry	† 7 42	† 10 47	.....	† 6 19
Stonytown Ferry	† 7 50	† 10 53	.....	† 6 27
Creasy	7 52	10 56	2 55	6 30
Nescopeck.....Arrive	8 02	11 05	3 05	6 40
Berwick				
Nescopeck.....Leave	$ 8 02	† 11 05	$ 3 05	$ 6 40
Beach Haven Ferry	† 8 09	† 11 14	.....	† 6 45
Wapwallopen	8 19	11 20	3 20	6 52
Pond Hill	† 8 25	† 11 25	† 3 25	† 6 56
Moncanaqua	8 31	11 32	3 30	7 01
Sicksbinny				
Retreat	8 43	11 42	3 40	7 10
Nanticoke	8 54	11 54	3 49	7 19
Buttonwood	† 9 00	† 12 00	† 3 55	† 7 25
Plymouth Ferry	† 9 02	† 12 02	† 3 57	† 7 28
South Wilkesbarre	9 06	12 06	4 00	7 30
Hazle Street	9 08	12 08	4 03	7 33
Wilkesbarre.....Arrive	9 10	12 10	4 05	7 35
	A. M.	P. M	P. M.	P. M.

SOUTHWARD.

STATIONS.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Wilkesbarre.....Leave	$ 7 25	$ 10 35	$ 2 45	$ 6 00
Hazle Street	7 28	10 37	2 47	6 02
South Wilkesbarre	7 30	10 40	2 50	6 05
Plymouth Ferry	† 7 32	† 10 42	† 2 52	† 6 07
Buttonwood	† 7 35	† 10 45	† 2 54	† 6 09
Nanticoke	7 42	10 50	3 01	6 17
Retreat	7 51	10 58	3 10	6 26
Shickshinny	8 01	11 07	3 20	6 37
Mocanaqua				
Pond Hill	† 8 05	† 11 11	† 3 25	† 6 42
Wapwallopen	8 10	11 16	3 31	6 47
Beach Haven Ferry	† 8 14	† 11 21	† 3 36	† 6 53
Nescopeck.....Arrive	8 18	11 26	3 42	7 00
Berwick				
Nescopeck	8 30	11 36	3 52	7 09
Creasy	† 8 33	† 11 38	† 3 54	† 7 12
Stonytown Ferry	8 42	† 11 46	† 4 02	† 7 20
Espy Ferry				
Bloomsburg	8 47	11 50	4 06	7 25
East Bloomsburg				
Catawissa.....Arrive	8 53	11 57	4 13	7 32
Catawissa.....Leave	8 55	11 57	4 13	7 32
Roaring Creek	† 9 04	† 12 05	† 4 19	† 7 39
Boyd	† 9 10	† 12 11	† 4 26	† 7 46
Danville	9 14	12 15	4 31	7 51
South Danville				
Kipps Run	† 9 19	† 12 20	† 4 5	† 7 56
Wolverton	† 9 25	† 12 28	† 4 2	† 8 03
Kilnes Grove	† 9 27	† 12 30	† 4 5	† 8 06
Sunbury.....Arrive	† 9 35	† 12 40	† 4 55	† 8 15
	A. M	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.

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BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.
In effect January 26th, 1902.

EAST.

STATIONS.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	10 35	10 00	1.50	15 25
Cameron	6 47	10 10	f2 01	f5 34
Danville	6 57	10 19	2 11	5 43
Catawissa	7 10	10 32	2 23	5 56
Rupert	7 16	10 37	2 29	6 01
Bloomsburg	7 20	10 41	2 33	6 05
Espy	7 28	10 48	2 40	6 13
Lime Ridge	7 35	f10 54	f2 46	6 20
Willow Grove	7 40	10 57	f2 50	6 24
Briarcreek	7 44	10 59	f2 53	f6 27
Berwick	7 50	11 05	2 58	6 34
Beach Haven	7 58	f11 12	3 03	6 41
Hick's Ferry	8 07	11 17	3 09	f6 47
Shickshinny	8 17	11 31	3 20	6 59
Hunlock's	8 27	11 39	3 31	f7 09
Nanticoke	8 34	11 44	3 38	7 14
Avondale	8 37	11 47	3 42	7 22
Plymouth	8 44	11 52	3 47	7 23
Plymouth Junction	8 47	11 55	3 52	7 30
Kingston	8 55	11 59	4 00	7 48
Bennett	8 58	12 02	4 03	7 42
Forty Fort	9 00	12 04	4 07	7 44
Wyoming	9 05	12 08	4 12	7 58
West Pittston	9 10	12 12	4 17	7 53
Susquehanna Ave	9 13	12 14	4 20	7 06
Pittston	9 19	12 17	4 24	8 08
Duryea	9 23	12 20	4 29	8 10
Lackawanna	9 26	12 22	4 32	8 16
Taylor	9 32	12 28	4 40	8 17
Bellevue	9 37	12 32	4 45	8 21
SCRANTON	9 42	12 35	4 50	8 25
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STATIONS.	A. M.		P. M.	P. M.
SCRANTON	6 35	10 10	1 55	16 10
Bellevue	6 39	10 17	1 59	6 14
Taylor	6 43	10 24	2 03	6 18
Lackawanna	6 48	10 28	2 10	6 24
Duryea	6 53	10 33	2 13	6 26
Pittston	6 57	10 37	2 17	6 30
Susquehanna Ave	7 00	10 41	2 19	6 32
West Pittston	7 03	10 46	2 23	6 35
Wyoming	7 08	10 49	2 27	6 40
Forty Fort	7 12	10 52	2 31	6 43
Bennett	7 15	10 56	2 34	6 47
Kingston	7 21	10 00	2 40	6 53
Plymouth	7 30	11 05	2 45	6 58
Plymouth Junction			2 49	7 03
Avondale	7 35	11 09	2 54	7 08
Nanticoke	7 39	11 13	2 58	7 14
Hunlock's	7 45	11 19	3 06	7 21
Shickshinny	7 55	f11 31	3 20	f7 31
Hick's Ferry	8 07	11 43	3 30	7 41
Beach Haven	8 13	11 48	3 37	7 48
Berwick	8 19	11 54	f3 44	7 53
Briarcreek	f8 23	11 01	f3 50	f8 00
Willow Grove	f8 27	f12 05	3 54	f8 03
Lime Ridge	8 31	12 09	3 58	8 02
Espy	8 37	12 22	4 06	8 17
Bloomsburg	8 44	12 15	4 12	8 20
Rupert	8 47	12 25	4 15	8 25
Catawissa	8 54	12 32	4 22	8 37
Danville	9 06	12 44	4 33	
Cameron	9 21	12 57	4 48	8 52
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 35	1 10	5 00	9 05
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7.10	12.10	6.00	2.15	Bloomsb'g	8.50	2 37	6.25	6 10
7.08	12.08	5.55	2.10	" P. & R	8.52	2.39	6.27	
7.03	12.02	5.53	2.08	" Main st.	8.55	2.42	6.30	
7.53	11.53	5 42	1 50	Paper Mill	9.05	2.52	6.40	
6.50	11.50	5.39	1.45	Light St.	9.08	2.55	6.44	6.37
6.40	11.42	5.31	1.30	Orangeville	9.16	3.03	6.53	6.50
6.29	11.33	5.21	1.00	Forks	9.26	3.13	6.03	7.10
6.25	11.29	5.17	12.53	Zaner's	9.30	3.17	6.07	7.35
6.18	11.21	5.08	12.45	Stillwater	9.38	3.25	6.13	7.45
6.08	11.13	5.	12.37	Benton	9.46	3.33	7.23	8.00
6.04	11.09	4 56	12.10	Edson's	9.50	3.37	7.27	8.30
6.02	11 06	4.53	12.05	Cole's Cr'k	9.53	3 40	7.31	8.40
5.53	11.02	4.48	11.53	Laubach	9.58	3.45	7.41	8.46
5.43	10.51	4.38	11.45	Central	10.05	3.52	7.51	9.00
5.40	10.48	4.35	11.30	Jam. City	10.08	3.55	6.55	29.5
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THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1903.

Political Announcements.

Subject to the Rules of the Democratic Party.

Primary Election Saturday, June 6th, 3 to 7 P. M.

FOR SHERIFF
CHARLES B. ENT,
of Bloomsburg.

FOR SHERIFF
W. W. BLACK,
of Bloomsburg.

FOR SHERIFF
B. F. RICE,
of East Scott.

Good Roads Bill Passes Senate.

It Authorizes an Expenditure of $5,750,000 in Next Six Years.

The Sproul good roads bill passed the Senate finally last week by a vote of 38 to 1. The negative vote was cast by Senator Bolard, of Crawford. The bill was sent at once to the House and referred to the appropriation committee, as it provides for the expenditure of $5,750,000 on the part of the state for the next six years to put the roads in good condition.

A state highway department is created by the measure, with a commissioner, to be appointed by the governor, at its head. County commissioners are to notify the highway commissioner when roads need repairing, and the state is to bear one-half the expense of putting the roads in good condition, and the other half is to be borne by the county and townships. All applications for state aid shall be acted upon in the order of their reception. Ten per cent. of the appropriation shall be set aside for maintenance of roads constructed under the provisions of the bill. All highways constructed by the state commission shall be known as "state highways."

The appropriation of $5,750,000 is to be available as follows: First year, $500,000; second year, $750,000; third and fourth years, $1,000,000 each; fifth and sixth years, $1,250,000 each.

New Trials For Murder.

Hon. Fred Ikeler introduced a bill in the legislature last week which is said to have the backing of a certain supreme court justice, who claims that under existing laws that court is powerless to command a new trial for a condemned murderer, though after-discovered evidence may point to his innocence.

The bill was drawn to fit a particular case, that of Samuel Greason, who is under sentence of death, along with Mrs. Kate Edwards, for the murder of her husband. It is said that sufficient evidence has been secured to prove that the man is innocent, but under existing laws he must be hanged unless legislation is enacted to secure for him a new trial.

W. F. Stohner has resigned from the agency of the Adams Express Company. There is entirely too much work for one man to do, a fact of which the Company should soon be convinced.

The Conference Closes

Dr. S. C. Swallow Placed on the Supernumerary List.

The Bishop s Appointments

The Central Pennsylvania Methodist Episcopal Conference, closed at Altoona Tuesday afternoon. Immediately after prayer had been offered, Dr. Evans made a motion that the relation of Dr. Silas C. Swallow with the Conference be changed from effective to supernumerary. The motion carried. Dr. Swallow had not requested the change, and the action was a complete surprise to him. He however accepted the change with becoming grace.

The invitation extended by Harrisburg was accepted, and the next conference will be held in that city.

Bishop Cranston then addressed the conference and concluded by announcing the appointments. Those for the Danville District are as follows:

W. W. Evans—Presiding Elder.
Ashland—W. McKay Riley.
Beach Haven—A. V. Logan.
Beaver Meadow—Pierre Fredin.
Benton—W. E. Ruth.
Berwick—Richard H. Gilbert.
Bloomingdale—W. H. Norcross.
Bloomsburg—W. B. Eveland.
Buckhorn—Jacob Buck.
Catawissa—Alfred L. Miller.
Catawissa Cir.—Martin Flegal.
Centralia—E. E. McKelvy.
Conyngham—Richard Brooke.
Danville—St. Paul's—H. C. Harman.
Danville—Trinity—N. C. E. Cleaver.
Elysburg—M. F. Blann.
Espy and Lime Ridge—W. H. Hartman.
Excelsior—James Doherty.
Fountain Springs—C. H. Barnard.
Freeland—Emory T. Swartz.
Gordon—Jacob P. Benford.
Harveyville—O. H. Albertson.
Hazleton—Diamond—J. A. Mattern.
Hazleton—St. Paul—A. S. Saxsicks.
Irish Valley—Joseph H. Ventten.
Jamison City—W. H. Benford.
Jaynesville and Audenried—C. W. Dickson.
Jeddo, Lattimer and Melnesville—George M. Larned.
Jerseytown—Charles W. Rishel.
Jonestown—J. C. Wilhelm.
Mifflinville—G. V. Savidge.
Mt. Carmel—T. L. Tompkinson.
Nescopeck—Isaac Cadman.
Northumberland—J. C. Mumper.
Orangeville and Light Street—T. H. Tubbs.
Park Place and Delano—F. W. Curry.
Riverside—R. J Allen.
Rohrsburg—T. M. Phillips.
Selinsgove—W. W. Rothrock.
Shamokin-First—D. S. Monroe.
Shamokin—Second—R. M. Snyder.
Shamokin—Mission—Louis A. Dyer.
Shickshinny—John R. Dunkerly.
Snydertown—W. S. D. Noble.
Sunbury—John W. Rue.
Town Hill—W. L. Armstrong.
Treverton—J. W. Shearer.
Waller—Otho C. Miller.
Wapwallopen—Philip Thomas.
Washingtonville—C. W. Dryner.
Weatherly—S. Milton Frost.
White Haven—J. W. Buckley.
Joseph Clemens, chaplain United States Army, member Nescopeck Quarterly conference.
John C. Bickel, missionary to Utah.
William M. Frysinger, corresponding secretary Annuity Fund, member of Bloomsburg Quarterly conference.
Supernumerary, John C. Grimes, John B. Polsgrove.
Superannuates, David B. McCloskey, John W. Leckie, Samuel P. Boone, William S. Hamlin, Henry B. Fortner, Walter R. Whitney.

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Western Crop Conditions.

Uniformity Throughout the Winter Wheat Belt.

According to the Cincinnati "Price Current," "there is general uniformity in crop conditions throughout the winter wheat belt. The week has been mild and springlike, with rains during part of the time. The wheat is generally in good to fine condition. The present growing weather is making it forward, a little too much so, in the opinion of some correspondents, rendering it the more susceptible to injury in case of a late spell of cold weather. But there has been scarcely any harm by reason of alternate freezing and thawing, which usually is so trying on the plant at this time of year. On some of the low river bottoms the fields are flooded, but damage from this cause is not likely to be serious in the aggregate. Taking the situation as a whole, the favorable prospects for the crop have been fully maintained during the past week.

"It is seldom, even in spring, that country roads have been in such bad condition for travel as during the past several weeks, the condition being general all over the Central and Western grain states. This has impeded the movement of all kinds of grain. Some late reports note some improvement in this respect, however. Where hauling is possible there seems to be a disposition to sell grain, especially corn. Considerable corn still remains in the fields, and owing to the bad weather is more or less damaged.

"Although farm work is getting a late start preparations are now being made for sowing oats. A few days of dry weather will put the ground in good condition to put in the crop. It is too early and too few reports in regard to acreage have been received to judge reliably of what will be its extent, but more correspondents have intimated an increase rather than otherwise. The grass crop is starting out with a good outlook."

Went to Altoona.

J. C. Brown, L. T. Sharpless, L. N. Moyer, F. B. Hartman and Dr. M. J. Hess went to Altoona last Friday as delegates from the M. E. church to the laymen's convention. While there they completed arrangements for the appointment of Rev. Dr. W. P. Eveland as pastor of the Bloomsburg church. They returned home on Monday. Dr. Eveland has been at Chambersburg for the past two years, and is a popular and prominent preacher. He will assume his duties here on Easter Sunday evening.

C. H. Reice has moved his meat market to the stand occupied by him for many years, the old Rawlings market on Center street. L. Rayhorn has gone out of the business and will move to Jersey Shore.

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TOWNSEND'S

A Young Men's Christian Association in an Arkansas Lumber Town.

In the town of Stamps, Ark., a mill settlement of about 20,000 population, one half of which is colored, the Bodcaw Lumber Company and the Louisville and Arkansas railroad, combined to erect a Young Men's Christian Association building. The big mill, which runs day and night, employes 600 men, and although the men work on the twelve hour day plan, the Association is a popular place and appreciated especially the bath rooms. At night men come to the building picking their way by lanterns as there is no street in the town to walk on in wet weather. There are no ministers located in the town, although two ministers come there, each once a month, to hold services, and these are kept busy on Sunday afternoons performing marriage ceremonies. Speakers for meetings, teachers for classes, entertainers for entertainments, it is impossible to secure. This Association provides the social and wholesome entertainment for the town. The reading room, library, game room and the gymnasium are popular places. A commercial traveler visiting the town noticed the building, and learning about the Association, took out a membership ticket such as is universally issued by the Association good in all branches. On returning a month later, he found that the interest had grown to enthusiasm and that his ticket was good anywhere. He is now advocating an association in his own town, declaring that that kind of a thing ought to exist in every place. The secretary in this place is exerting a wholesome influence over men who are working amid surroundings which are not conducive to the making of christian character.

Civil Service Examination May 6, 1903.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that on May 6, 1903, an examination will be held for the position of clerk and carrier in the post office service in this city.

The examination will consist of the subjects of spelling, arithmetic, letter writing penmanship, copying from plain copy, United States geography and reading addresses.

The examination is open to all citizens of the United States who comply with the requirements without regard to whether they have been examined during the past year.

For application blank, full instructions, specimen examination questions and information relative to the duties and salaries of the different positions, and the location of the examining room, application should be made to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners at the post office.

No application will be accepted for this examination unless filed with the undersigned prior to the hour of closing business on April 18, 1903.

G. E. Lewis,
Sec'y of Postal Board.

Issued March 24, 1903.

There was a hold up and robbery in the second ward of Centralia a few nights ago. Alec Heimclewicki was the victim. According to his story he was knocked down and relieved of $25, and a gold watch and chain. The crime was committed by Peter Hevara, Michael Isko, Joseph Langozo and Joseph Trouepk. The quartette was arrested and brought to Bloomsburg on Monday, and given berths in the county jail.

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Dining chairs,	5.00 a set " 25	Parlor Tables	1.49 " 6.50
Couches	6.75 " 25	China Closets	17.00 " 35

F. P. Pursel.

The Young Men's Christian Association in Mexico City.

Since September 432 men have joined the Mexico City Association. Forty-six of this number are sustaining members at $50 a year; thirty-six are boys. Athletics are popular, there are twelve gymnasium classes, one of which meets at 6.30 in the morning, eight basket ball teams are playing a series of games, and ten games are being bowled in the bowling tournament on a three months' schedule. A billiard tournament is held. On a recent Sunday, the famous Boer leader, General Snyman, spoke on "The Bible in South Africa". At a dinner given an international Y. M. C. A. secretary plans for the extension of the work in Mexico were announced, based on a recent study of the railroad division points and cities of Mexico, which received general approval, especially from the United States Ambassador, who heartily endorsed the Association.

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Ira D. Sankey is Blind.

Ira D. Sankey, the associate of the late Dwight L. Moody, the famous singing evangelist, who recently lost the sight of his left eye, has now become wholly blind, at the Sankey home, 148 South Oxford street, Brooklyn.

A fact which adds to the pathos of the case of the famous evangelist and hymn writer is that Mr. Sankey himself does not fully realize the seriousness of his condition, and believes his affliction to be only temporary. With characteistic tenderness and concern he has been most anxious that his friends and the public generally should not know of his affliction, and he is said to believe that his true condition is not known to them.

Mr. Sankey is now sixty-four years old. He has been engaged in evangelistic work since 1874. In that year he met Dwight L. Moody at the the Young Men's Christian association in Indianapolis, and several months later became associated with him.

Several interesting ball games have been played by the varsity and scrub teams of the Normal the past week. Of the four games played the scruls have captured three. An estimate of the strength of the varsity team can hardly be based on three games, however, as Newton and Hayes played with the scrubs.

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It never fails to cure a cold in a day or two.

LOCAL NEWS.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

The grange has a membership in New York State of 70,000.

Early cabbage plants at Joseph Garrison's, on 5th street. 2t

James Saltzer has moved into Dr. H. C. Hower's house on West Fourth street.

A little son arrived at the home of Freas Hutton on West street Monday morning.

It is estimated that one hundred cases of consumption develop each day in New York City.

Miss L. Doak has moved into Mrs. Skeer's property on West street above Main.

You can find the nicest and largest line of bibles, large and small in Bloomsburg at Mercer s Drug and Book Store.

E. F. Carpenter won the Wheelmen's euchre prize Tuesday evening.

Bishop Talbot will visit St. Paul's Church Thursday April 23rd, at which time the rite of confirmation will be administered.

William Patterson is dead at his home in Greenwood township. He was aged about sixty-nine years. The funeral will take place today.

Freas Hicks has moved into one of W. A. Hartzell's houses on East street, just across the street from his former residence.

We have just received a very large line of some of the latest books. Please call and see them at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Charles Mills has moved into the double house on the Freas lot on Third street, recently purchased by W. H. Fisher.

This is the time of year when in olden times our mother's would give us sulphur on bread and molasses.

A man who advertised for a cook and a music teacher received nine answers to the former advertisement and 389 to the latter.

Frank Chromis who has been ill for the past few weeks is still in a very precarious condition. His recovery is in doubt.

G. Snyder and family have gone to Atlantic City to resume charge of Hotel Normandie. The hotel will hereafter be opened the year round.

Kelley's Big Female Minstrels will hold forth at the Opera House next Thursday evening, April. 9 A female band and orchestra will be quite a novelty for Bloomsburg.

Friday brought to a close many of the schools throughout the county. Appropriate and interesting exercises were held in a number of instances.

Seven years in business is our reference. Gem Steam Laundry

Moyer Lewis has been asked for his terms to play ball, by the Wilmington, Del. team.

J. W. Wright has sold the Bloomsburg—Millville stage line to H. J. Shoemaker. The new proprietor took charge Monday.

B. G. Keller and family on Tuesday. bade good bye to friends at Benton and moved to Walla Walla, Washington.

The days have caught up with the nights and light will have the advantage over darkness for several months.

The Jerseytown Methodist Episcopal Church congregation will serve an Easter Eve Supper Saturday evening April 11. Price 15c. The general public is invited.

W. C. McKinney moved on Monday to Berwick, where he will reside in the future. He will have the only exclusive shoe store in Berwick.

Ralph Aul has quit his position with the Welliver Hardware Company of Danville, and returned to Espy. He proposes to truck the coming summer.

Meetings in the Old Presbyterian church will be continued every evening this week. The Pastor Rev. R. H. Sawtelle extends an invitation to everyone to attend.

Mrs. Charles D. Hamlin died in Philadelphia on Tuesday. She and her husband formerly resided in Catawissa, and are well known there. They have resided in Philadelphia for a year or more.

Rev. J. D. Thomas read a paper on "Easter Morning" at the meeting of the ministerial union of the Wyoming and Susquehanna Classis of the Reformed Church, held at Sunbury on Monday.

Jacob Miller died suddenly at his home at Pittston Junction on Monday. He was taken ill at eleven o'clock and died two hours later. He was 75 years of age. A wife and eight children survive. Peter Miller of Bloomsburg is a son.

Peter A. Kline has purchased and taken possession of a first class livery stable at Harrisburg. He will also engage in contract work, hauling etc. Mr. Kline was formerly the steward of the Bloom Poor District. His many friends wish him the best of success.

Fisher, Normal's old reliable, has signed to pitch with the Wilmington, Delaware, club the coming season. Fisher has discovered how not to strike out, and we look for him to make the batting records of the heavy hitting Wilmington's look like thirty cents.

Miss Stella Miller was on Monday called to Loysville for the second time on account of her brother's illness. Only last week a little sister succumbed to typhoid fever, and now the brother is ill with the same disease. The school is a Lutheran institution for homeless children.

The life of Mrs. Lizzie J. Raup came to an end at her home in Light Street early Saturday morning after a long period of suffering with consumption, and her remains were laid to rest in the Light Street Cemetery Tuesday morning. She was thirty-seven years of age and leaves to survive a husband and one son.

A Bootblacks' Union has been formed in Wilkes-Barre. The Union has concluded that all boys under 14 years of age be compelled to go to school, and in this way they think their union can be kept up. Another rule they intend putting in force is not to allow any bootblack to shine in the middle of the street or block up any passageway, make a noise or cry out.

Bellefonte and Mt. Carmel each have a bugbear. The former a "woman in black" and the latter a "Jack the hugger." Both are having a wholesome effect on the young, inasmuch as they are afraid to go out after dark. A person of this sort might effect a great good in Bloomsburg, in the way of eliminating the nocturnal parade element in the girls of tender years, who walk the streets at an hour when they had ought to be at home in bed.

After a residence of thirty-three years in Rupert, Joseph Rauch, aged 74 years died at his home in that village Monday evening. The cause of his death was Bright's disease with which he had long suffered. His nearest surviving relatives are the following nieces and nephews: Mrs. John Fortner, Mrs. E. F. Roe, of town, Mrs. Myra Heist, of Rupert, James Rauch and John Rauch, of Hazleton. Funeral this afternoon at two o'clock.

PURELY PERSONAL

H. J. Achenbach attended a dance at Mt. Carmel last evening.

Mrs. W. L. Demaree is visiting at her former home, Newport, Perry County.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Butler spent Sunday with their son at Williamsport.

J. T. Brady came down from Jamison City on Saturday and transacted business in town.

Mrs. Fred Ikeler spent Friday with her husband in Harrisburg. They were in Philadelphia over Sunday

Bert Marcy, assistant Gymnasium Instructor at the Normal School, spent Sunday and Monday with his parents at Dorranceton, near Wilkes-Barre.

Carl Wirt and E. M. Savidge witnessed the production of "Floradora" at the Nesbit theatre, Wilkes-Barre Monday evening. The performance, they say, was excellent especially the now famous "Tell Me Pretty Maiden," by the double sextette. The number was demanded several times.

The A. & T. Piograph Company will exhibit at Shenandoah tomorrow night and at Kaier's Opera House, Mahanoy City Saturday, matinee and night.

The American Car and Foundry Company's paint shops at Berwick were destroyed by fire Tuesday morning. The contents consisting of paint and valuable stencil plates were all lost.

Theta Castle No, 276 Knights of the Golden Eagle will have open house on the evening of April 14. A literary and musical program is being arranged. Among the participants will be the Cryder Orchestra of Lime Ridge, and Miss Houser elocutionist.

W. S. Rishton has increased his facilities for serving soda water by adding a larger ice cream chest. He has also purchased and is daily looking for its arrival, an ice chopper. His equipment in this department is first class, and he enjoys a large patronage.

Dr. Redeker was called to the Bloomsburg Car Manufacturing Plant yesterday to attend Clarence Miller, who was caught beneath a pile of falling lumber and severely injured. His right leg was broken in three places below the knee. He was removed by six of his fellow workmen to his home at East Bloomsburg.

Mrs. Dr. I. W. Willits was on Saturday apprised by telegram of the death at his home in Los Angeles, California, of Bright R. Paxton, son of the late Col. Joseph Paxton. His death wipes out the entire family of nine children. He was eighty nine years of age. His wife nee Emeline Barton, of Bloomsburg, survives.

J. R. Fowler is considering some improvements to the Opera House the coming season. The stage will probably be made higher and deeper, and fitted with new scenery or drops, several rows of seats replaced by plush seats, the floor given a gradual elevation from the stage back, and the exterior generally improved. Manager Fowler has long felt the necessity of a modern stage. Nearly every company carrying special scenery complain of the stage, particularly the heighth while a great many other shows aware of the tremendous difficulty with which they would have to contend to stage their production, pass the town by entirely.

The State Chairmanship.

Since the positive refusal of Democratic State Chairman William T. Creasy to serve another term in that capacity, J. W. Moyer of Pottsville is being very prominently mentioned as his successor. Mr. Moyer's experience for several years as State Secretary would stand him in good stead in this position.

Two New Mail Routes.

Yesterday marked the beginning of two new mail routes. They start from Millville and will afford the people of that part of the county a convenience for which they have long been clamoring.

Route No. 2 for which James Lawton is the carrier goes to Iola via Roy Dildine's and D. W. Robbins' thence to Sereno, Greenly's, Coles Mill, Lawton Settlement, Bunker Hill and via W. P. Eves to Millville.

Route No. 3 for which Joseph Kitchen is carrier goes to Iola school-house thence to Shoemakertown, Sereno, Sulphur Springs, Geo. Boudman's, Abram Bennett's, J. L. Eves and A. E. Girton's thence to Lick Run to Wm. Jones, thence to John Potter's via B. F. Karshner, Stackhouse's corner thence to Gordners corner, Wintersteen school house, J. B. Lyon's, M. Cox and Pine Summit post office, thence to Barr's, Houghton's, Moser's School House, Bogart's and Titman's through Iola to Millville.

Lamps! Large and small, a very large line at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

CLARK'S

White Undermuslins.

We place on sale this week the largest and most complete line of Ladies' White Undermuslins we have ever shown. They are made from good materials, made good, cut full, workmanship none better and at the prices it will not pay to make them. This lot consists of Gowns, Corset Covers, Drawers and Skirts. We invite you to inspect this offering of Undermuslins. Compare them with any for equal qualities and price.

Easter Millinery.

We are showing the largest line of Fine Trimmed Hats. Made in our own workroom. The most stylish hats and priced at less than the same grade is elsewhere. We invite you to see and buy if you choose.

Flowers.

Big lines newest effects, all kinds, Fruits and Feathers as well. See the special roses at 12c. a bunch. See the 20c. Foliage.

To Order.

We are ready to take your order and make you a stylish hat. We do millinery work of all kinds; make new hats, remodel your old ones, etc.

Black Dress Goods.

Big lines—newest effects. See the Mohairs, Prunellas and Powderette.

Silk Waists.

A big line of these in all sizes from 32 to 42 in. black. Also a line of colored silk waists, 3 48, 4.50, 5.00, 6.00 and 7.00.

New Embroideries.

New lines of edgings, bands, medallions, corset covers, embroideries, beadings, &c.

White Cotton Waists.

They're pretty. They fit. They're stylish. They are moderately priced.

Dress and Wash Silks.

All the popular styles are here for your selection. See the 49c. wash-silks.

Dress Fabrics.

Our lines of wool dress materials are complete. Voiles Batiste, Cheviots, etc.

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Your Eyes? Why?

Probably you need glasses. Step in my store and let us examine your eyes. They may be the cause of your headaches.

Geo. W. Hess,

OPTICIAN AND JEWELER, BLOOMSBURG, PENNA.

TAILOR-MADE SUITS.

N. S. Tingley has accepted the agency for Reinach, Ullman & Co. of Chicago, merchant tailors, and is ready to supply made-to-measure clothing at prices lower than can be obtained elsewhere. He has a large line of samples to select from. His place of business is the third floor of the COLUMBIAN building. 4t.

Sweet Corn Cornered.

Sweet corn, if the present price of the seed can be taken as a criterion, will be somewhat of a luxury the coming summer.

A quotation from a prominent New York seed house shows Stowall's Evergreen, a favorite variety, to be worth from $10 to $15 a bushel, and the quanity is limited at that. Sweet corn was abundant in this section last season, the curb market was surfeited with it, and the price was away down, but things will be different this season, unless signs fail. The high price of the seed will result in a small acreage, and a consequent reduced crop.

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BLOOMSBURG, PA

THE NEW RAINES LAW

New York Assembly Passes the High Liquor Tax.

STRICTLY PARTISAN VOTE OF 84 TO 61

Bill Increasing License Fees Fifty Per Cent Awaits the Governor's Signature, Which It Is Certain to Receive.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 1.—Very much less spectacular than the senate's action, but none the less inexorable, was the battle between the Republican majority and the Democratic minority in the assembly yesterday, at the close of which the bill of Senator Raines, increasing by 50 per cent the liquor license fees throughout the state, was passed by a vote of 84 yeas to 61 nays.

Nearly every Democrat on the floor spoke at some period in the debate. Mr. McManus asserted that if the bill passed the brewers would hereafter buy hops in other states at whatever cost and that a like policy would be exerted against the cheese districts of the state on the ground that the bill was put forward and passed by the farmers. Mr. Dale declared that the Raines law had demoralized Brooklyn, and Mr. Miller argued in favor of a tax on land values.

Of the Republicans who spoke in favor of the bill Mr. G. H. Smith denied that the distillers, brewers and saloon keepers represented the true sentiment of the state; Mr. Burnett declared that as the saloons caused a large proportion of the expense for police, charities and reformatory institutions they should pay their share of the cost, and Mr. Dwyer, while according every degree of reputability to saloon keepers as engaged in a legitimate business, said he bowed to the wisdom of his party, which had made this a party bill.

Leaders Palmer and Rogers closed for their respective sides, and the previous question was moved.

At 5:30 p. m., six hours of unbroken debate, the bill was passed by a vote of 84 yeas to 61 nays, a strictly partisan result, with the exception of the votes of Messrs. Patton and Ruehl, the only Republicans who voted against the bill. No Democrat voted in its favor.

TO PUSH MORTGAGE TAX.

Strong Opposition to the Measure, but Governor Odell Is Obdurate.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 1.—It is understood definitely that, despite the opposition of the New York Republican county organization, voiced at the hearing on the mortgage tax bill, and the demand that the bill be absolutely abandoned, Governor Odell has decided to push the measure to final passage as it stands and compel those of the Republican party bound by caucus to vote for it.

Of the 120 savings banks in New York state fully 100 were represented at the hearing given in the afternoon in the senate chamber. The savings bank men were headed by Hon. Charles A. Schieren of Brooklyn, president of the state association, and were called on to rise in the presence of the joint legislative committee and thus indicate their opposition to the measure. Subsequent to the meeting they called on Governor Odell and expressed to him their opposition to the measure.

Hon. Charles A. Schieren, for the bankers, said if the mortgage tax bill were enacted the savings banks would be obliged to reduce the rate of interest to 3 per cent. The savings banks held mortgages amounting to $500,000,000, on which the state would collect $2,000,000 taxes. The savings banks were already paying taxes amounting to $750,000 annually on their surplus.

Twenty Thousand on Strike.

NEW YORK, April 1.—About 20,000 carpenters, plumbers, masons and other mechanics employed in the building trades between the New York city line and Hartford, Conn., went on a strike today for a 20 per cent advance in wages. The contractors and builders have an organization of 800 to resist the demand. They have included in their organization all the lumber yards and dealers in building supplies, who are under a bond of $250 each not to sell building material to any contractor who concedes to the demands of union men. The members of the labor unions have declined a 10 per cent advance offered them in several places.

Brisk Pension Office Business.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—During the month of March the interior department through its board of pension appeals disposed of 1,600 appeals in pension cases, which is 300 in excess of the record for any previous month in the history of the department. Assistant Secretary Miller expresses the opinion that at the present rate of increase the time is not far distant when pension appeals can be disposed of within sixty days after their filing as against the present average of eighteen months. There are now about 14,000 cases on appeal in the office.

Mine Explosion Kills Five.

ST. LOUIS, April 1.—A special from Sandoval, Ill., says five men were killed and four fatally injured by an explosion in the coal mine there. Three of the dead leave families. It is thought the explosion was caused by a windy shot igniting the coal dust.

Treaty Ratifications Exchanged.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Ratifications of the Cuban reciprocity treaty have been exchanged at the state department by Secretary Hay and Senor Quesada, the Cuban minister. There was little formality about the exchange.

TRAPPING ERMINE.

Different Methods For the Full Grown and Baby Animals.

The colder the climate the finer the fur, says the author of "The Greatest Fur Company of the World" in Frank Leslie's Magazine, and the difficulties of obtaining the rare furs are many. Ermine is at its best when the cold is most intense, the tawny weasel coat turning from fawn to yellow, from yellow to cream and then to snow white, according to the latitude and the season.

Fox, lynx, marten, otter and bear the trapper can take with steel traps of a size varying with the game or even with the clumsy but efficient deadfall, but the ermine, the fur of which is as easily damaged as the finest gauze, must be handled differently.

The hunter going the rounds of his traps has noted curious tiny tracks like the dots and dashes of the telegraphic alphabet. Here are little prints slurring into one another in a dash; there a dead stop, where the quick eared stoat has paused, with beady eyes alert, for snowbird or rabbit; here, again, a clear blank on the snow, where the crafty, little forager has dived below the light surface and wriggled forward like a snake, to dart up with a plunge of his fangs into the heart blood of the unwary snow bunting.

From the length of the leaps the trapper judges the age of the ermine. The full grown ermine has hair too coarse to be damaged by a snare. If, therefore, the tracks indicate a full grown animal, the trapper suspends the noose of a looped twine or wire across the runway from a bent twig, which, when released, springs upward with a jerk that lifts the ermine off the ground and strangles it.

If the tracks are like the prints of a baby's fingers, close and small, the trapper hopes to capture a pelt fit for a throne cloak. Perfect fur would be marred by the twine snare, so the trapper devises as cunning a death for the ermine as the ermine devises when it darts up through the snow and fixes its spearlike teeth in the throat of a rabbit.

First he smears his hunting knife with grease; then he lays it across the track. The little ermine comes trotting in dots and dashes and gallops and dives to the knife. The knife is frosted like ice. Ice the ermine has licked, so he licks the knife. But, alas, for the resemblance between ice and steel! Ice turns to water under the warm tongue; steel turns to fire that blisters and holds the foolish little stoat by his inquisitive tongue, a hopeless prisoner, until the trapper comes.

A Quaint Old Custom.

A London shop assistant says: "It is my duty every night to go out to the rear of the premises and fire off an old flintlock pistol. This curious custom dates back to the middle of the eighteenth century. Our shop, now in a crowded north London district, was in those old days practically in the country, and it was the custom of the then proprietor, who was a timid, eccentric man, to fire a pistol off every night to let the would be burglar know he was armed and prepared for him. Thinking his custom such a good one, seeing that his shop was never attempted, he stated in his will that the custom should be continued, which has always been carried out, although, of course, we do it now merely to keep up a quaint old custom."

His Awful Curiosity.

A woman with her little son, a child of four years of age, inquired of a man standing in one of our railroad stations, "Can you tell me what time the next train leaves for Scranton?"

"At t-t-wenty m-m-inutes p-p-past f-four." About five minutes later she again put the same question to the same man, and he repeated the same answer in the same stuttering way. When she approached him for the third time with the same query, he said to her: "W-why do y-y-you a-a-ask me s-s-so m-m-many t-t-times? I-I a-a-already t-t-told you t-t-twice."

"I know you did," replied the woman, "but my little boy likes to see you work your mouth."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Still Useful.

"Yes, poor old sport, when he had money he had a good time, but he went broke."

"Then starved?"

"I should say not. He secured a splendid position in a swell boarding house."

"What doing?"

"Just has to sit around in the boarding house parlor posing as the star boarder, meanwhile complaining loudly before prospective boarders about the bad case of gout contracted there."—Baltimore Herald.

Love Superstitions.

In parts of Massachusetts it is thought that if a girl puts a piece of southern wood down her back the first boy she meets will be her husband. In Boston, if a marriageable woman puts a bit of southern wood under her pillow on retiring, the first man she sees in the morning will, so says the superstition, be the one whom she is to marry.

The Question.

"I have a perfect horror of marrying a poor man and living in a small way."

"But, darling, I shall grow."

"Ah, but will you develop financially as fast as I develop in social ambition?"—Life.

In No Hurry.

Flibbert—Your rich uncle says he wants to be cremated.

Gangleigh—Yes, but he is in no hurry about it.—Boston Transcript.

The price paid to quiet conscience keeps mighty few people poor.—Chicago News.

ODD THINGS IN SIAM

CURIOUS CUSTOMS AND CEREMONIES THAT ARE STILL OBSERVED.

Cutting the Topknot of the Child For Its Spiritual Welfare—The Wedding and Its Celebration—Cremation With Refreshments.

In Siam the cutting of the topknot is so important a ceremony for the future spiritual welfare of the child that it is most scrupulously carried out, with all the pomp and ceremony that the means of the parents will allow. That the poor people may not be deprived of the benefit of the ceremony the government provides all that is necessary for it at one of the temples at Bangkok. The center of the ceremony is the cutting off of the topknot, which is all the hair children are permitted to wear up to that time. But associated with it are a number of purifications and other religious forms which have to be scrupulously carried out. The topknot, which is ordinarily adorned with a chaplet of flowers or beads, often held in place with a jeweled pin of considerable value, is now much more resplendently adorned, while the child is further loaded with the richest jewels the family can provide. After the ceremony the hair is allowed to grow all over the head and is usually worn about an inch long, standing up like a brush. The child is now reckoned to have reached man's estate, although, to their credit be it said, the Siamese are in no hurry to marry their children. In fact, undue haste to make a match for a daughter is apt to raise a question as to whether things are so flourishing with the family as they might be.

When marriage is thought of, it is often the result of mutual affection and takes the form of an elopement, with subsequent forgiveness by the old folk. The more formal way calls for a lot of negotiation and the payment to the parents of "ka nom," which is often, however, returned to the daughter on the birth of her first child. The monks, who are the astrologers of the country among other accomplishments, are called upon to fix the lucky day, on the arrival of which the bridegroom and his friends go to the bride's house, carrying presents of cakes and betel. All Siamese chew betel, and not to offer it to a guest is a serious breach of hospitality. The quids when ready for chewing consist of leaves of the betel pepper, chips of areca nut—there is no such thing as betel nut that careless travelers write about—a little slaked lime and sometimes tobacco also. The Siamese word for this mixture is appropriately "muk." This will always be in evidence at weddings, and the preparation and presentation of the betel tray to the bridegroom constitute one of the forms of acceptance by the bride of his authority over her. The monks will be already in attendance, feasted with the best that can be provided, and the ceremony of marriage is performed by them with the sprinkling of consecrated water over the couple.

But the greatest ceremony of all takes place after death. If the person be of high rank, the body is placed in a sitting posture in a large metal urn or among the commoners in an ordinary coffin. After being kept a period that lengthens with the exaltation of rank a day is fixed for the cremation. All the friends of the family are invited, and enormous sums are spent on entertaining them and providing free shows for the general public. The guests will enter the inclosure, while Chinese theaters, Siamese marionettes and plays will be provided for all who care to witness them. On entering one would be met by some member of the deceased's family bearing a black bag, into which all are invited in turn to dip a hand. It is found to contain a number of tiny balls, each of which is hollow and contains a screw of paper. A Siamese figure on it refers to a similar figure on some article in one of the booths in the inclosure, and the guests are expected to present the number to the attendants and receive as a present whatever it represents.

There may be a dinner, but anyway refreshments will be provided in abundance. Just at sunset the pyre will be lighted. A stick of scented wood or a wreath of flowers made of the perfumed sandalwood, as well as a candle of unbleached wax, is handed to each guest, and lamps are lighted at the foot of the steps of the pyre. Just as with us those at the graveside perform the last office for the dead in dropping a little earth into the grave, so in Siam each one lights his candle at a lamp and places it under the urn or coffin, together with the scented stick or wreath. Buddhist monks away in one of the booths will be reciting sacred texts meanwhile, but nothing in the way of prayer, whether for the dead or the living, enters into the ceremony.

Fireworks will be let off, including a very mournful one known to the natives as the "roaring of elephants." It is made by shaving a thick bamboo very thin at one point and then making a slit. The inside is filled with composition and sealed, and this, when fired, exerts great pressure on the slit, making the edges vibrate continuously, so producing a series of loud groans of a most doleful character. When the deceased is of high rank, the king sends an aid-de-camp with a lamp lighted from one that is kept continually burning in the royal temple and whose light was originally obtained from a tree fired by lightning. After the cremation the ashes are collected and most of them thrown into the river, though often a few are placed in the temple in a wooden urn.—Mission Field.

Greatly Reduced.

"Well, well, old man! This is quite a change! Last time I saw you you were among the Four Hundred. And now"—

"Now I am clean back in fractions."—Baltimore American.

A MUTUAL SURPRISE.

The Meeting Between an Ambitious Hunter and His First Grizzly.

In "Sketches of Life In the Golden State" Colonel Albert S. Evans tells an amusing anecdote of an ambitious hunter who met his first grizzly bear—in procession. The incident occurred in the woods near the site of the present town of Monterey.

The hunter sat down to rest in the shade of a tree and unwittingly went to sleep. When he woke, it was near sunset, and he sat up, rubbing his eyes and contemplating a return to his hotel several miles distant.

Just then a rustling and cracking noise from a clump of chaparral about 100 yards away attracted his attention. Out walked a grizzly bear, a monarch of his kind. He yawned, licked his jaws and then advanced toward the tree where our hunter sat, but evidently was unconscious of his presence.

His grizzly majesty had proceeded about 20 paces when a female bear followed him, and an instant later a third grizzly followed her at a slow, shambling pace.

The hunter sat spellbound with terror as the procession came toward him until the forward grizzly was within 30 yards. Then, scarcely realizing what he did, he sprang to his feet and uttered a frenzied yell—yell upon yell!

The effect was magical. The foremost bear sprang into the air, turned sharply about, knocked the female down, rolled over her, gathered himself up and bolted "like 40 cartloads of rock going down a shoot," straight for the chaparral again, the other two bears close at his heels and never turning to see what had frightened them.

The hunter, seeing the enemy retreating, sprang to his feet and fled at top speed for the hotel, leaving hat and gun behind. The truth of his wild and startling tale was proved the next day by the numerous bear tracks of different sizes found in the marshy ground near by. But the three bears had gone off beyond pursuit.

SINKING SHIPS.

They Don't Linger In Midocean, but Go to the Bottom.

What becomes of the ships that sink at sea? Do they go all the way to the bottom or do they meet somewhere under the surface a certain pressure that buoys them up and holds them in equilibrium? Somebody, we forget who it is, has given rein to his grewsome fancy and pictured all the ships that have been lost in midocean as wandering about like so many ghosts half way between the surface and the bottom.

There is no foundation whatever for such a notion, though many persons have it. Any object that will sink beneath the surface of the sea will go all the way to the bottom. The pressure encountered on the way down, which is simply enormous in the deeper parts, has nothing to do with the object's sinking, for it is exerted on the object as well as on the water, thus equalizing the conditions.

The reason why the object sinks to the bottom is that water is not compressible; at least it is so little so that its density at the bottom of the sea is only a trifle greater than it is at the surface. Scientists tell us that the water at the bottom is just about as much denser than the water at the surface as sea water is denser than fresh water.

This slight difference in density, therefore, does not and cannot stop the downward course of a sinking ship or any object that is heavy enough to sink rapidly beneath the surface. Pressure, as we have said, is not a factor in the case at all.—Chicago Record.

A Bone "Library."

There is a lending library of human bones in London. It is intended for the use of medical students, and the bones are lent out in exactly the same manner as books from a circulating library. The entire collection is valued at £5,000 and contains besides human bones the skeletons of horses, dogs, cats, oxen and sheep—all animals that the veterinary surgeon is likely to be called upon to treat. The present market price of a human skeleton is from £6 to £20, according to its condition. A skull may be worth anything from 5s. to £1. For a payment of 6d. a student can borrow any part of the skeleton that he desires to study and may retain it for one week. A complete skeleton can be borrowed from the library for the sum of 15s. down and a deposit of £5.—London Answers.

Her Proposals.

Talking of the Baroness Burdett-Coutts Lord Houghton said: "Miss Coutts likes me because I never proposed to her. Almost all the young men of good family did. Those who did their duty by their family always did. Mrs. Browne (Miss Coutts' companion) used to see it coming and took herself out of the way for ten minutes, but she only went into the next room and left the door open, and then the proposal took place, and immediately it was done Miss Coutts coughed, and Mrs. Browne came in again."—Augustus J. C. Hare's Recollections.

The Mystery of Gout.

It is better to confess ignorance than to assume false knowledge. In spite of the careful study that has been given to the subject of gout it must be admitted that we are as yet uninformed as to its exact nature.—Medical Record.

An Inventive Genius.

Mr. Small—Do you know her?

Mrs. Small—Only by reputation. Her husband is the inventor of the cash register for married men's trousers pockets.—Ainslee's Magazine.

Fitting.

A tailor made suit is sometimes followed by a lawyer made suit and this in turn by a nonsuit.—St. Paul Dispatch.

Panama Will be the Hat.

"It's a little early to talk about straw hats," said a local hat dealer, "but you may as well know, in case you think of buying this summer, that the Panama will be, as of yore, the correct hat. Its shape will be different though, from what it was. The correct Panama of 1903 will be a little bit of a hat—just a crown, a narrow brim, a narrow ribbon and that's all. Therefore, it will be necessary for him who owns a big Panama to have it reblocked or to buy a new hat. The supply of Panama hats will be equal to the demand in most of the grades this year. The prices will be about as they were. Thus for $15 you will be able to get a very nice Panama, and for $25 or $30 you will get a nicer one.

To Protect Society Members.

This law which is now under consideration by the Legislature will be of interest to secret society members in this vicinity. That any person who shall wilfully wear any insignia or button of any association, society or trade union, or use the same to obtain aid or assistance within this state unless he shall be entitled to use or wear the same under the constitution and by-laws, rules and regulations of such organizations, shall be guilty of misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not to exceed one hundred dollars and in default of payment committed to jail for a period not to exceed sixty days.

The April Lippincott's Magazine.

"Lippincott's Magazine" has won a reputation for its monthly novels That in the April number, a stunning good one called "The Trifler," is written by Archibald Eyre, an English author of rising fame. "The Trifler," a member of London's smartest society, has a kind heart and an almost too keen sense of humor. He is appealed to by his new sister-in-law to extricate her from an appalling situation. A man to whom she had once been engaged and had jilted for Sir Gerald Trewint has had her love-letters printed "for private circulation only." "The Trifler," having himself felt the brunt of his brother's anger, shows quick sympathy for the bride and rashly promises assistance. In executing a plan to effectually stop the whole thing he is taken for a thief. This leads to some delicate predicaments and amusing escapades. "The Trifler" shows he can be earnest enough in winning the girl he ardently loves.

The tale bearing on the great Coal Strike by Edith Robinson called "An Involuntary Benefactor" is a clever instance of contrary fate versus millions. A terrapin dinner, intended to oil the wheels and turn them towards a capitalist's designs, goes astray and fulfils a far different purpose. The strike is won by his sympathy.

A lovely nature story by Dr. Charles C. Abbott is called "A Fresh' on the Ma'sh;" and Florence Kingston Hoffman's amusing tale of "A Lucky Stratagem" will be enjoyed by everybody, especially those in "the profession."

The thrill of the fire-bells is felt in reading "Hickey of Old Thirteen," by John Austin Schetty, which gives with clamorous effect a mad ride to a fire and its results.

The number closes with a laughable story by Eliott Flower. An amateur hypnotist puts up a joke on his sister's lover, which might have been serious but for the sister. It is called "A Fiance in Triplicate."

Much information timed exactly to the planting season is to be found in a paper by Eben E. Rexford on "Next Summer's Garden." Mr. Rexford speaks with authority and his suggestions are thus most valuable.

"Lafayette's Last Visit to America," by Theodore Stanton, contains matter that is new and interesting in heretofore unpublished letters from George Washington Lafayette, son of the Marquis.

The April McClure's—Strong in Fresh Articles and Fiction.

The April McClure's is above all distinguished for the freshness, sparkle, and humor of its contents. It is also a particularly strong short story number. The leading article, "Masters of Their Craft," by Adrian Kirk, will do anyone good to read. The author's master craftsmen are a cable car gripman, the driver of a Fifth Avenue 'bus, a compositor on a great New York daily, two railroad engineers, and a pickpocket—all of them, as the author shows, artists in a truer and broader sense than many daubers of canvas and moulders of statuary. John La Farge also writes of a mastercrattsman, "Hogarth," the greatest Englishman who ever used the brush, a splendid article, splendidly illustrated. "I am Married" is the title of Clara Morris's autobiographical paper, which contains, besides the story of her wedding, a delightful account of the agonies and ecstacies of a first production of "Macbeth." The stories include Stewart Edward White's "The Riverman," another "Blazed Trail Story," Henry Wallace Phillip's "Oscar Chance, per Charley", one of the author's inimitable pictures of ranch life; "Miss Janumit Latlit," by Empeigh Merwyn, the story of an imaginative infant and an imaginary stepmother; "The Scheme of Sutcliffe, Swindler," a capital business story by William Hamilton Osborn; and "The Quick Decision Board," by Grace Richmond, introdncing an invention for the use of changeable-minded young mothers that ought to be patented. "Who Was Her Keeper," by Mary A. Bacon, gives the only touch of sadness to the number; it is a story of child labor in the Georgia cotton mills. Mr. Pier's excellent serial, "The Triumph," continues, and Miss Tarbell writes one of the most eventful chapters of Standard Oil History, which she calls "The Defeat of the Pennsylvania." There is some excellent verse contributed by Josephine Daskam, Emery Pottle, Margaret Steele Anderson, and Gouverneur Morris.

Excursion Rates.

Taking effect January 1st, 1903 the Lackawanna Railroad Co. will sell excursion tickets to nearly all stations on their line. This will be another improvement that will be appreciated by the traveling public, the tickets will be good for thirty days including date of sale, stopover will not be allowed. 1-14t

Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls Mont., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement, "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed."—Rev. Francis W. Poole, Pastor Central Pres. Church, Helena, Mont.

After using Ely's Cream Balm six weeks I believe myself cured of catarrh.—Joseph Stewart, Grand Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 50 cts. or mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York.

The reputations of some men are based upon what they are going to do.

20 Years of Vile Catarrh.—Chas. O. Brown, journalist, of Duluth, Minn., writes: "I have been a sufferer from Throat and Nasal Catarrh for over 20 years, during which time my head has been stopped up and my condition truly miserable. Within 15 minutes after using Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder I obtained relief. Three bottles have almost, if not entirely, cured me." 50c.—37

Sold by C. A. Klein.

The counterfeiter who scorns to make 50-cent pieces doesn't believe in doing things by halves.

Heart-Sick People.—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart is a heart tonic that never fails to cure—is swift in its effects—goes closer to the "border land" and snatches from death's grip more sufferers than any other remedy for any family of diseases and ailments in the category of human sufferings. Gives relief in 30 minutes.—38

Sold by C. A. Klein.

Lightfingered Larry—"Do you think opals are unlucky?" Second-story Sam—"Sure. I never swiped one yet that I didn't get pinched."

Life's a Burden—If the stomach is not right. Is there Nausea? Is there Constipation? Is the Tongue Coated? Are you Light-Headed? Do you have Sick Headache? Any and all of these denote Stomach and Liver Disorder. Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills act quickly and will cure most stubborn and chronic cases. 40 in a vial for 10 cents.—39

Sold by C. A. Klein.

Hubbub—"How bright and clean everything looks out here." Subbub—"Yes; we had a couple of detectives scouring the country last week."

Pile Terrors Swept Away.—Dr. Agnew's Ointment stands at the head as a reliever, healer, and sure cure for Piles in all forms. One application will give comfort in a few minutes, and three to six days' application according to directions will cure chronic cases. It relieves all itching and burning skin diseases in a day. 35 cents.—40

Sold by C. A. Klein.

JURORS FOR MAY TERM.

The following jurors were drawn last week to serve at May term of court:

GRAND JURORS.

Beaver—W. W. Shell.
Benton borough—Joseph A. Cole, A. L. McHenry.
Benton township—W. H. Hess.
Berwick—A. K. Rhoads, L. J. Townsend.
Cleveland—Haines Yost.
Conyngham—John Mohan.
Fishingercek—A. A. Pealer.
Franklin—Thomas M. Mensch.
Greenwood—M. B. Hock, Wm. M. Dollman.
Hemlock—W. W. Myers.
Locust—George W. Bowes.
Madison—S. J. Kreamer.
Main—Theodore Fox, Samuel Goodman.
Orange—Wilbur Hicks, Abram Kline.
Pine—C. R. Kinney.
Roaringcreek—D. W. Rarig.
Scott—Peter Jacoby.
Sugarloaf—B. D. Cole, Josiah Fritz.

TRAVERSE JURORS—FIRST WEEK.

Beaver—W. H. Shuman.
Berwick—H. C. Laubach, George Morton, R. H. Laubach, George Hoppes.
Briarcreek—D. C. Klinetob, C. Martz, M. H. Petty.
Bloomsburg—John Armstrong, Geo. S. Alleman, John W. Fortner, William Kashner, Albert Moyer, R. F. Vanderslice.
Catawissa borough—Thos. E. Harder.
Catawissa township—H. J. Miller.
Cleveland—I. N. Tietsworth.
Centralia—John Langdon, T. J. Quigley.
Centre—Levi Fester, F. H. Hagenbuch, John Scott, William Shaffer, Lafayette Trivelpiece, John Welliver.
Conyngham—Emanuel Levan.
Fishingercek—Harman Hess, Frank Ervine.
Greenwood—Amos Long, R. M. Eyer.
Hemlock—George C. Shoemaker.
Jackson—Elmer Kisner, Wilson J. Kitchen.
Locust—Emanuel Adams, A. P. Bitner.
Mifflin—J. C. Hetler.
Millville—J. L. Reese.
Montour—George W. Mears.
Mt. Pleasant—G. M. Ikeler, Harry Johnston.
Orangeville—A. G. Fisher, W. Allabach.
Roaringcreek—Abraham Beaver.
Scott—William Ent.
Sugarloaf—Clarence Cole, A. R. Fritz, Raymond Smith.

TRAVERSE JURORS—SECOND WEEK.

Beaver—John Hinterliter, Jr., Philip Rabuck.
Benton borough—William J. Yocum.
Benton township—Harry Gibbons, James Hartman.
Berwick—M. C. Crawford, George Unangst, W. A. Ross.
Bloomsburg—R. F. Colley, Reuben Hess, R. G. Phillips, W. Clark Richart, Chas. Werkheiser.
Briarcreek—Isaiah Bower, Jeremiah Bomboy.
Catawissa township—J. R. Bibby.
Centralia—Patrick Quigley.
Fishingercek—John M. Buckalew, John Harrison, E. L. Lemon.
Greenwood—E. E. Parker.
Hemlock—Reuben H. Guild.
Locust—H. W. Beaver, Lewis Beaver
Madison—Marks Graham, Geo. Masteller, Samuel Mordan.
Main—W. A. Smith, W. P. Zehner.
Mifflin—A. W. Snyder, W. H. Miller.
Mt. Pleasant—Eri. Ikeler.
Orange—Wm. Drake, H. C. Henrie.
Pine—James Kinney.
Roaringcreek—John Mourey.

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THE GRANGE

Conducted by J. W. DARROW,
Press Correspondent New York State Grange

"ALWAYS A GRANGER."

The True Purposes of the Grange Should Be Made Known.

A few days ago, in conversation with the master of a grange we had just organized, says a writer in Farm and Fireside, he said, "Why, I've always been a granger, but didn't know it." That one pointed remark aptly answers the question so often asked by grange workers—why men and women whose sympathies are in line with ours do not unite with us. This man was progressive, anxious to secure for his family and friends the very best advantages possible, but felt powerless alone. In the grange he found others desired the same things he did and discovered the chain of sympathy that binds men together the world over.

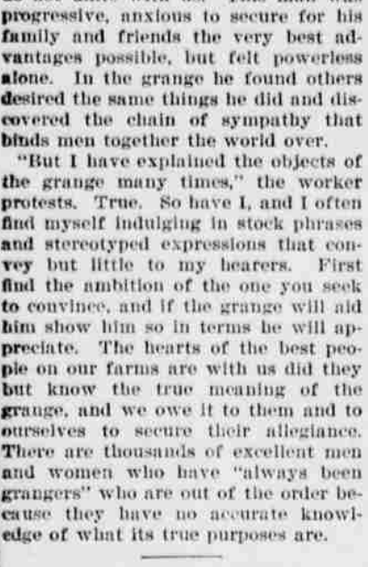
"But I have explained the objects of the grange many times," the worker protests. True. So have I, and I often find myself indulging in stock phrases and stereotyped expressions that convey but little to my hearers. First find the ambition of the one you seek to convince, and if the grange will aid him show him so in terms he will appreciate. The hearts of the best people on our farms are with us did they but know the true meaning of the grange, and we owe it to them and to ourselves to secure their allegiance. There are thousands of excellent men and women who have "always been grangers" who are out of the order because they have no accurate knowledge of what its true purposes are.

HON. E. B. NORRIS.

Master New York State Grange and Chairman National Executive Committee.

The chairman of the executive committee of the national grange and a member of the legislative committee of the same body must be a man of force and ability. Such a position is held by such a man in the person of E. B. Norris of Sodus, N. Y., who is also master of the New York state grange, a body representing 70,000 members.

Brother Norris was a charter member of Sodus grange, No. 73, having thus a connection with the Order of about thirty years. He was master of Sodus grange about fourteen years, also master of the old Wayne county council



HON. E. B. NORRIS.

two years, was elected master of the New York state grange in 1898 and is now serving his third term. He is also chairman of the legislative committee of New York state grange and serving the third term as such. He was elected to the executive committee of the national grange in 1899 and to the chairmanship a year later. For three years past he has been on the national grange legislative committee. He is always found advocating the advancement of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry and the education of the agricultural class to a higher conception of their calling and a keener sense of their responsibilities as American citizens.

ORIGIN OF THE GRANGE.

Some Historical Facts Concerning the Organization of the Order.

From the Michigan Patron we take the following historical facts relating to the institution of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry:

The first subordinate grange was organized in Washington the 8th day of January, 1868, as a school of instruction, with William M. Ireland as master.

The first dispensation for a grange was granted at Harrisburg, Pa., the 4th day of April, 1868, but the first regular subordinate grange to which a charter was issued was organized at Fredonia, N. Y., the 16th day of April, 1868.

The first state grange, that of Minnesota, was organized the 22d day of February, 1869. The new Order made slow progress up to 1872, only 257 granges having been organized in the entire country. During the year 1872, 1,105 were organized, and the Order had an existence in twenty-two states.

The first meeting of the national grange as a delegate body was held at Georgetown, D. C., the 8th day of January, 1873, with six of the founders of the Order and seventeen delegates present, representing eleven states. Six of the delegates were masters of state granges, and the remainder were deputies in the Order.

At the last session of the national grange twenty-seven states were represented by regularly appointed delegates, and the total membership is now about 600,000.

Vermont has eighty subordinate granges and a total membership of about 5,500, according to the last report of the state grange secretary.

There is great educational benefit in conferring the degrees well.

All the officers in North Brookfield, (Mass.) grange are women.

PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.

The Maine State Grange Reports 34,000 Members of the Order.

At the recent annual session of the Maine state grange the worthy master, Hon. Obadiah Gardiner, said that 1902 had been the most prosperous year for the order in that state of any in its history. About thirty-five new granges were organized, with a total of 5,312 new members, the total state membership being 34,100, second only to New York. Nearly 200 subordinate granges own their own halls. Twenty-eight granges have a membership exceeding 200 each, the largest one being 597. Resolutions were adopted reaffirming faith in the principles of prohibition, pledging to work for reconstruction of divorce laws and for extension of rural free delivery, recommending that the next legislature shall grant the right of municipal suffrage to all taxpaying women of the state.

Winston Churchill, Granger.

The Worcester (Mass.) Telegram remarks that Winston Churchill of Cornish, N. H., and elsewhere, is to be a colonel on the staff of Governor N. J. Bachelder of New Hampshire, the granger governor. Winston will be joining the grange next and lecturing on the respective merits of the turnip and the wild boar in a fenced game preserve. He has shot the boar for a Christmas dinner, and he may have raised a turnip to eat with the lean but luscious hog of the forest, but he has not proclaimed his success in the turnip patch. He will have to prove that before he can join the grange unless his membership in the New Hampshire house of representatives and on the gold braid staff of the governor gives him a special license. Literary fame is a wonderful fertilizer in the politics of the farther north than Massachusetts.

Death of National Secretary Trimble.

John Trimble, the veteran secretary of the national grange, died in Washington Dec. 30. He was one of the founders of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry thirty-five years ago, and he lived to see the Order a strong and flourishing organization. For many years Mr. Trimble had been the efficient

THE LATE JOHN TRIMBLE.

secretary of the national grange, and at its recent session at Lansing, Mich., he was present, enjoying usual health, but on his return to his home in Washington he was taken ill, and his advanced years made recovery doubtful from the first. The national grange has lost a most efficient and devoted officer and the Order throughout the Union one of its most exemplary members and assiduous workers.

How the Farmer Is Benefited.

The grange is a benefit to the farmer because it gives him a respect for his calling and an encouragement to make something of himself; because it helps to train his mind and thoughts to usefulness; instills a patriotism and engenders a spirit of fraternity which is the greatest sweetener of human toil. It furnishes a medium through which his desire for the good of himself and others can materialize; it directs his efforts to greater usefulness. The grange benefits the farmer just in proportion as he strives through the grange to benefit his associates. When the individual member ceases to ask of the grange, "What is there in it for me?" but asks rather, "What can I put into it?" then shall the greatest usefulness of the grange be realized.—W. N. Giles, Secretary New York State Grange.

What James G. Blaine Said.

James G. Blaine once said: "The farmers of the republic will control its destiny. Against the storms of popular fury, against frenzied madness that seeks collision with established order, against the spirit of anarchy that would sweep away the landmarks and safeguards of Christian society and republican government, the farmers of the United States will stand as a shield and bulwark, themselves the willing subjects of law." To strengthen this bulwark is the work of the grange. If the quoted remarks are true, then the work of the grange appeals to the patriotism of all.

Colonel Hezekiah Bowen died recently at Medina, N. Y. He was general superintendent of the New York state fair for a quarter century. He served in the civil war and was brevet lieutenant colonel.

Twenty-six states of the Union were represented at the late meeting of the national grange at Lansing, Mich.

Woman is eligible to any office in the grange, and there are three offices which women must fill.

The resources of the national grange amount to $64,928.56, quite a respectable sum.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT

OF BLOOM POOR DISTRICT

For the year ending January 1st, 1903.

WM. H. HIDLAY, Treasurer, Dr.

To amount received of W E Hartman ex-Treas ..... $ 618 95
L D Kase ex-Col 1898 ..... 106 71
" " " 1900 ..... 367 56
" " " 1901 ..... 1324 16
W V Robbins Col 1902 ..... 2140 73
C E Hartman Col 1901 ..... 560 60
" " " 1902 ..... 402 60
S Y Mather Col '98 and '99 ..... 162 56
J T Vaughn Col 1902 ..... 369 37
J M Rote Col 1901 ..... 40 00
" " " 1902 ..... 213 55
Wilbur Laubach Col 1901 ..... 80 91
" " " 1902 ..... 71 25
Farm P A Kline Steward 221 30
" Thos Webb Director 16 00
C C Yetter Atty returned 80 00
From C Eves director W W Kester 137 00
From I Hagenbuch director Montour Township 16 25
From I Hagenbuch Main twp 2 25
" " Keifer 22 50
" " Kutz muncy 51 81
" W B Allen director Armstrong 9 87
From C Eves director Armstrong 2 95
" " " Hummel .. 24 00
" " " Laubach ... 140 00
" T Webb " Ketter 21 00
Jan 31 Pro of $ 500 order 60 das 493 75
Apr 3 " 1000 " 90 das 987 50
May 1 " 500 " 60 das 495 83
Jun 28 " 1500 " 90 das 1481 25
July 2 " 1000 " 60 das 991 66
Sept 3 " 1000 " 60 das 991 66
Sept 30 " 700 " 60 das 694 16
Oct 30 " 1200 " 90 das 1185 00
Nov 26 " 500 " 90 das 493 75
Dec 1 " 600 " 90 das 592 50
Dec 22 " 1000 " 90 das 987 50
From C Eves director Sands 8 90
$ 17004 74

Cr.

Orders paid 15827 40
Balance in Treasury 1177 34
17004 74

Accounts with collectors of the Bloom Poor District.

BLOOM.

L D Kase col for 1900 ..... 414 01
By cash 357 26
" exonerations 48 59
" commission 17 86
414 01 414 01

1901

To bal duplicate 2155 73
By cash 1322 16
By commission 304 09
By balance due distr.ct 528 28
2155 73 2155 73

1902

W V Robbins Collector.

To duplicate 4684 21
By cash 2140 73
By commission 119 62
Balance due district 2423 86
4684 21 4684 21

GREENWOOD.

S Y Mather collector 1898 .....
To balance 1898 ..... 60 24
To balance 1899 ..... 502 32
By cash 562 56

1900—1901

To balances of duplicate 1900 ..... 511 60
To balance of duplicate 1901 ..... 488 36
bal due district 999 96
999 96 999 96

J T Vaughn collector 1902 .....
To duplicate 750 75
By cash 369 37
By commission 19 44
Balance due district 361 94
750 75 750 75

MILLVILLE BOROUGH.

J M Rote collector 1901 .....
To balance 80 32
By cash 40 00
By commission 2 10
By exonerations 4 29
By balance 34 03
80 32 80 32

1902

J M Rote collector .....
To duplicate 281 48
By cash 213 55
By commission 11 23
Balance 56 70
281 48 281 48

SCOTT.

C E Hartman collector 1901 .....
To Balance 619 89
By cash 560 60
By commission 45 29
By exonerations and returns 14 00
619 89 619 89

1902

C E Hartman collector .....
To duplicate 908 57
By cash 460 60
By commission 21 05
Balance due district 427 52
908 57 908 57

SUGARLOAF.

A M Hess collector 1899 .....
To balance 48 96
Balance due district 48 96

Wilbur Laubach col 1901 .....
To balance 273 78
By cash 80 91
By commission 4 25
Balance due 188 62
273 78 273 78

Wilbur Laubach collector 1902 ...
To duplicate 369 91
By cash 71 25
By commission 3 75
Balance due district 294 91
369 91 369 91

ALMSHOUSE AND EXPENSES.

Painting and repairing roofs	$ 42 09
Drills	76 00
Plow repairs	2 85
Tinware and cuspidors	13 85
Provisions and supplies	653 19
Harness and repairs	23 80
Clothing and shoes	89 75
Lumber	37 19
Tobacco	3 38
Hardware	55 00
Repairs to buildings	99 70
Phosphate	267 50
Dry Goods	72 59
Weighing	50
Cow and calf	55 00
Bull	17 00
Medical supplies	54 26
Fuel and light	205 70
Robe	14 00
Flynets and oiling	5 00
Lining sink	3 00
Smithing	28 95
Rag Carpet	23 00
Oilcloth	1 93
Hauling water from Fishingc'k	4 00
G H Wellliver on acct of team	200 00
To 30 bushel of oats	18 60
Repairing clock	1 00
Threshing	38 49
Buggy	65 00
Plumbing	107 27
Clover seed	22 64
Bags	62
Rope	25
Repairs to cisterns	15 00
Cabbage plants	1 90
Repairs to reservoir	2 50
Soap	5 00
Bedding	48 50
Cider barrels	3 00
Labor	3 75
Dough trough	1 50
Barb wire	4 05
Binder twine	12 00
Timothy seed	8 92
Churn	9 00
Cleaning cisterns	14 00
Extracting teeth	5 00
Linoleum	3 15
Repairs to pump	3 00
	$ 2413 37

STATE HOSPITAL FOR INSANE.

Rate per week $1.75

Jesse Kelly	52 1-7	weeks	91 25
L B Kahler	"	"	91 25
Alza M Sterner	"	"	91 25
Carrie Turrell	"	"	91 25
John W Osman	"	"	91 25
W W Kester	"	"	91 25
Elias Fsmith	"	"	91 25
Jno S Boone	"	"	91 25
Nancy Laubach	"	"	91 25
Clarence Graham	"	"	91 25
Jas O'Connell	"	"	91 25
Mary E Kiefer	"	"	91 25
Jno Galligan	"	"	91 25
W B Milnes	17 6-7	"	31 25
Alice Hummel	13 5-7	"	24 00
Daniel Brewer	20 4-7	"	36 00
Millie A Harvey	17 2-7	"	30 25
Lillian Berry	10	"	17 50
Ida R Miller	13	"	22 75
			$ 1348 00

SALARIES AND FEES.

Thos H Carey, bal of sal for 1901	7 50
I R Wolf bal of sal for 1901	22 50
W C Johnston sal letter for 1901	62 50
J B Fullmer bal of sal for 1901	10 00
E Everett bal of sal for 1901	15 00
M Killip and Smith fees in L D Kase, appeal	25 00
W R Henry Prothy costs	6 70
W C Johnston sal for year 1902	60 49
E Everett sal for 1902	15 00
J B Fullmer sal for 1902	10 00
Thos H Carey sal for 1902	15 00
J C Rutter sal for 1902	100 00
I R Wolf sal for 1902	20 00
I Hagenbuch sal for 1902	16 66
Thos Webb sal for 1902	83 34
Chandlee Eves sal for 1902	100 00
W B Allen sal for 1902	100 00
Freeze Quick sal for 1902	100 00
P A Kline and wife sal for 1901	100 00
	$ 1439 19

LOANS.

By money borrowed from the Bloomsburg National Bank and drawing interest at 5 per cent ..... $ 3300 00

The amount borrowed by the District from Bank was $4100.00. $800.00 of said indebtedness having been paid leaves a balance as above set forth.

SUNDRY EXPENSES.

Auditors for year 1901	21 00
Taking Frank Maguire to jail and telegram	1 41
P A Kline assistants horse feed dinners etc going to Millville for Harry Kramer	2 20
Postage	3 30
Printing	25 00
Orders of relief	24 00
Coffin for Mrs Treasr.	15 00
Taking Mary Sands from Millville to almshouse	1 50
Coffin and shroud for shoemaker child	10 00
P K Shultz affidavits	1 00
Expenses taking Millie Harvey to asylum	15 67
I L Edwards certificate of insanity Milley Harvey	2 50
Tickets sending Clyde Harris to Harrisburg	3 00
Tickets sending Mrs Geo Harizell to Reading	3 00
Coffin shroud and tie for Casper Kressler	25 40
Ticke ts sending Jerusha Hess to Central	80
Using cider press	67
Telephone poles to run wires to almshouse to install telephone	28 50
Rent for jacks	1 00
Traveling expenses	14 14
Digging grave for Casper Kressler	5 00
Taking Wm Gibbs to asylum	5 00
Medical attendance, Steele	3 00
Medical attendance and vaccinating children of Wm Gross Ed Scuffler and John Shirey	10 00
I L Edwards examining Millie Harvey	5 00
Expenses for other Districts	13 15
	$ 253 26

WATER WORKS.

The following is the cost of erecting a new water power at the almshouse.

W O Holmes & Son engine laying pipe and plumbing	$ 1625 51
Lowery & Sharpless building engine house	161 00
W H Eyer and ass'ts survey	17 50
	$ 1803 81

OUTSIDE RELIEF.

C M Cutman	1 55
Wm Hopper	12 00
Sallie Stuckey	1 50
Kate Shoemaker	6 00
Mrs Deb'r	1 50
Mrs Jeavers	19 50
Ellis Michael	10 00
W G Evans	25
Mrs Solleder	43 50
Ed Thomas	141 25
Anna Muffley	40 50
Jacob Martz	35 50
Mrs Bowman	15 75
Mattie Matthews	3 75
D Benner	117 70
Robt Long	22 00
Mattie Long	9 00
M E Cox	55 50
Geo Ivey	75 19
W J Patterson	46 50
Millie Harvey	47 63
A Y Hess	15 20
C Bauman	3 50
H Stuckey	33 68
Thos Arndt	5 98
Mrs Rambo	3 40
Eva Thomas	3 50
Mary Chrisman	7 15
L Stuckey	76 48
J Rambo	9 85
Jno Arndt	6 30
Mary Summers	11 72
Mrs Fowler	45 02
Lena Shotz	1 50
Jno Phillips	5 88
Fred Fox	14 20
Mrs Wertman	67 26
Mrs Harley	5 82
Ida Whitenight	3 30
Ruth Chamberlain	3 30
F Walters	3 30
Mrs Al Swisher	3 30
Mrs Michael	29 30
W Printz	3 30
W Metz	67 74
Mrs Brown	60
Mrs Hall	85
Mrs Searles	1 50
Ida Geiger	5 00
Tramps	1 00
Lizzie Kercher	7 00
Unknown	2 00
Orders from F P Fursel	12 00
Flora Fowler	25 10
Mrs Eckenroath	69 65
Mrs E Fowler	9 30
Florence Stills	2 50
Laura Fowler	22 00
Anna Stookey	8 00
Jno German	5 00
Jno Shirey	9 80
Mrs Mitchell	9 00
S W Mitchell	14 30
Jno McCormick	4 00
Jno R Cox	1 50
M C Woodward	1 00
Mrs Stookey	4 00
Julia A Price	3 50
Mrs Jno McGill	3 35
Mrs L Brewer	77 18
Wilda Shoemaker	24 50
Mrs Adams	40 50
T C Fowler	8 50
A Boughter	67 56
Mrs D Bauman	3 50
Mrs Rubenstein	4 00
Mary Thomas	1 61
Mrs Jno McCormick	6 00
H R Gross	2 00
Mrs D Hall	5 07
Mrs Servell	1 50
Abbie Evans	13 00
Elizabeth Bauman	6 50
Mrs Ivey	5 40
Stephen Hill	4 00
R Dehart	9 50
F Ruhdesteln	101 25
H Long	5 00
Mrs Heildebrandt	5 75
A Eckenroth	12 20
Jos Cole	7 80
Crowl	4 40
Jno Gibbs	4 40
Mrs Robert Moore	3 30
Dan'l Brewer	5 50
George Scheller	1 50
Tramps	22
	1893 14

RECAPITULATION.

Almshouse and Expenses	2413 37
Salaries and Fees	1479 49
Sundry Expenses	253 26
State Hospital	1348 00
Water works and expenses	1803 81
Loans	4100 00
Outside relief	1893 14
	13291 07

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders	585 67
Orders in Bank	3300 00
Total	$ 3885 67

RESOURCES.

Balance in Bank	$ 1177 34
Due from Collectors	5531 68
Total	$ 6709 02
Resources over Liabilities	2873 35

Having examined the foregoing accounts of the Bloom Poor District we approve them as correct as set forth to the best of our knowledge.

J. E. WELLIVER,
P. H. FREEZE,
T. W. HARTMAN,
FRANK HARRINGTON
BOYD TRESCOTT,
Auditors.

PRODUCTS OF THE FARM

As reported by P. A. Kline, Ex-Steward.

1000 Celery Plants	$ 30 00
1000 Heads of Cabbage	40 00
2000 Cucumbers	10 00
1½ bushel Beans	2 88
8 bushel Onions	6 60
3 bushel Beets	1 50
20 bushel Tomatoes	10 00
20 bushel Sweet Corn	15 00
250 bushel Potatoes	150 00
500 pounds Butter	110 00
350 dozen Eggs	42 00
25 tons Hay	300 00
2000 Sheaves Corn-fodder	120 00
2000 bushel Corn Ears	700 00
271 bushel Wheat	291 25
138 bushel Rye	82 80
502 bushel Oats	179 84
166 bushel Buckwheat	99 60
Total	$ 1902 87

VALUE OF REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Amount due from Collectors	$ 5531 68
Farm and Buildings	$14000 00
Horses [5]	580 00
Cattle [18]	325 00
Chickens [100]	35 00
Hay Grain and Vegetables	733 15
Flour and Feed	68 80
Fruit, etc	54 95
Coal [28 tons]	154 00
Meat	219 80
Miscel. articles about House	87 95
Furniture in Stewards House	81 90
New Clothing	22 62
Furniture in Almshouse	7 50
Women's Bedrooms	13 55
Women's Diningroom	57 45
Men's Diningroom	9 45
Men's Bedrooms	13 25
Men's Sitting room	3 75
Fertilizer	31 90
Harness	44 00
Implements	208 50
Wagons	144 00
Tools etc	29 80
	$16932 32
Total	$32464 60
Number of paupers at last report	14
Admitted during year	15
	29
Discharged during year	6
Deaths	4
Remaining at end of year	19
	29
No from Bloom	7
No from Greenwood	5
No from Scott	5
No from Sugarloaf	1
Paid by Berwick	1
	19

W. B. ALLEN,
CHANDLEE EVES,
THOS. WEBB.
Directors.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Alias Fi. Fa., issued out of Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, County and State aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 18th, 1903.

at two o'clock p. m.

All that certain piece and parcel of land situate in the Township of Sugarloaf, County of Columbia and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the line of other land of said Hess at a corner marked by a post and stones at the north side of the public road; thence south sixty-one degrees east seven and five-tenth perches to a corner marked by a post and stones at the north side of public road; thence south sixty-one degrees east seven and five-tenth perches to a corner; thence south twenty-five degrees west one perch to a corner; thence on a line in the public road south sixty and one-half degrees east seventy-one perches to a corner on line of land of the Savage heirs; thence on a line along the land of the Savage heirs north ten degrees east fifty-four perches to line of land of Helm & Rana; thence along the line of land of said Helm & Rana north seventy-seven degrees west seventy-eight perches to a corner of other land of said Hess, thence along the line of other land of said Hess south nineteen degrees west twenty-three and five-tenth perches to a corner thence south twenty-five degrees east two perches to a corner; thence south five and one-half degrees west ten and six-tenth perches to the place of beginning, containing

22 ACRES OF LAND,

be the same more or less, whereon is erected a

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Seized and taken into execution at the suit of M. A. Benscoter, executor, vs. J. W. Perry and to be sold as the property of J. W. Perry

DANIEL KNORR, Sheriff.

JNO. G. FREEZE, Attorney.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Lawson Hughes, late of Roaringcreek township, deceased.

The undersigned appointed an auditor by the Orphans' Court of Columbia County to distribute proceeds of sale of real estate under proceedings in partition in the hands of O. W. Cherington, Administrator, trustee, will sit at the office of Ikeler & Ikeler in Bloomsburg on Friday April 24, 1903 at 2 o'clock p. m. to perform the duties of his appointment, when and where all parties interested in the fund in the hands of the accountant will appear and prove the same or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund.

3-26-9t FRED IKELER, Auditor.

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County on Monday, April 6th, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., under the Corporation Act of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and the supplements thereto by Howard Hixon, Frank Sponenberg, Edward Farver, L. B. McLaughlin and Geo. F. Hoppes for the Charter of an intended corporation to be called "West Berwick Social Club", the character and object of which is the support and maintainance of a social club for social enjoyments, and for these purposes to have, possess, and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges conferred by the said Act and its supplements.

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Will be in Millville on Tuesdays.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1903.

THE LACKAWANNA.

In the wave of activity in betterment work which has passed over the railroads of the country during the past two or three years few roads have been more progressive than the Lackawanna. The evolution of that line under President Truesdale's managememt furnishes a striking illustration of the necessities of modern industrial conditions. When the change in management of the Lackawanna Railroad occurred in the spring of 1899 the incoming officers found a road whose track was in fair condition but whose bridges were too light for heavy motive power, whose water supply was badly located and inadequate, whose roundhouses, passing sidings and terminal yards were too small to serve a road with modern equipment and whose stations were in many respects ill adapted for passenger traffic. In short there was need of general renovation.

Starting at once with the construction of heavier bridges, roadbed and motive power, the Engineering, Mechanical, and Operating departments united in rehabilitating the entire line. The roadbed has been relaid with eighty pound steel rails; 32,000 tons of steel have been used in the erection of new bridges, which if placed in line would cover 3½ miles of double track; 300 new bridges have been completed and the cost of this work alone will exceed $3,300,000. Of the notable pieces of bridge work may be mentioned the new double track truss bridge over the Susquehanna River near Binghamton containing 2,512 tons of steel; the new double track bridge and viaduct over the Passaic River west of Paterson measuring 643 feet and containing 1,149 tons of new steel work; the new double track girder bridge over the Passaic River, near Lyndhurst, N. J.; the new double track truss bridge on the upper Hackensack consisting of four 124-foot fixed spans and one 236-foot draw span. Other new bridges include those crossing the Hackensack River near Bergen Tunnel and the Passaic River at Newark N. J. The latter has been designed as a double deck structure so that it may be used in connection with the Newark track elevation soon to be completed. The installation of this Newark bridge offers an interesting illustration of modern engineering methods. The old bridge was lifted from its bearings on four scows and moved out of the way along shore. At the same time the new drawbridge which had been erected on false work along shore was floated into place on four 90-foot scows. The lifting of these bridges from their supports was accomplished by pumping water ballast from the scows with centrifugal pumps. The total weight of the new bridge carried above the decks of these scows was 1220 tons. The entire work was done by company forces and in this new betterment policy the Lackawanna has adopted the plan of employing its own men rather than letting out the work by contract. During the last three years 120,000 cubic yards of masonry have been built, not includ the Newark track elevation. Of this, about 90,000 cubic yards have been used for bridge structures.

Equally interesting is the work done in raising the Lackawanna tracks through its suburban territory and particularly at Newark and Harrison. Under the present system the railroad crosses twenty-seven streets in Newark, all of which are at grade with one exception. There are 172 passenger trains and six freight trains passing over the line each day. When the inprovements have been completed only one grade crossing will remain.

The installation of automatic block signals has been accomplished at a cost of more than $500,000. In the last few months more than 150 locomotives of the most powerful type have been placed in service and the Lackawanna now has two locomotives for every three miles and 30 cars for every one mile of operated track. New stations have cost $300,000. Eight new engine houses with a total of 139 stalls have been erected and three more are being built. The terminal yards at Hoboken have been entirely remodeled and equipped with the latest type of slip switches, point switches, and standard plate riveted frogs. Dock work contemplated for the near future also includes a new gravity coal shipping pier at a cost of $175,000. A new terminal has been opened up at Wallabout Basin in Brooklyn and new passenger and freight yards have been built or are now building at other points; a new contract has been made with the Pullman Company under which the Lackawanna Railroad is receiving an entirely new equipment of Pullman parlor and sleeping cars; 18 new locomotives of the most powerful type have been ordered for the passenger service within the last few months and these will be delivered this spring. In fact in all branches of its service the Lackawanna Railroad has been modernizing to fit it for efficient and economical service and the line which in 1899 was equipped with light rolling stock and weak bridges and was generally in poor condition stands now in shape to handle the kind of traffic which it is best adapted to reach and has an important place as a carrier owing to the directness of its transportation route to the Great Lakes.

Many facts of interest in connection with this evolution have been gathered together and put into a little booklet entitled, "Modernizing a Trunk Line." The book is being distributed by the Traffic Department of the road and will be mailed on request.

Pomona Grange Meeting.

The Second Regular Quarterly Meeting of Pomona Grange, No. 5, composed of the Subordinate Granges of Columbia and Lower Luzerne counties will meet in the Hall of Valley Grange, Millville, on Friday, April 10th, 1903, at ten o'clock sharp. The morning session as usual will be devoted to the regular routine business of the Grange, after which the following program will be rendered:

Address of Welcome by Dr. Everett, of Valley Grange, and responded to by Bro. L. M. Creveling.
Music - - - Laura Unger
Recitation - Sister Minnie Kline
A paper by Bro. Philip Harris on the following topic: "Why does the cultivation of the soil promote plant growth and to what extent can cultivation contribute to such growth."
Music - - A Male Quartette
Select Reading - Mrs. Russel Karns
Recitation - - Bro. Charles Ash
Bro. J. S. Campbell will discuss the following: "The limit to which the organization of capital may be carried without detriment to other interests."
Solo - - : - Sister Hower
Recitation - - Bro. Ward Kline
Essay - - Sister Kate Creveling
Select Reading - Sister Joe Richie
Solo - - Sister Bertell Laubach
Paper descriptive of trip to Detroit, Michigan, and doings of Road Congress, W. T. Creasy.
Talk - - by Sister Ettie Gearhart
Solo - - Sister Kate Creveling
Select Reading - Sister Retta Wenner
Recitation - Sister Maggie Drum

5th Degree meeting in full form in the evening.

W. J. BEIDLEMAN, W. Lect.
AMOS HARTMAN, W. Master.

He is Among the First.

"Well, I beat my record for some years," remarked a local trucker on Tuesday, "for I planted a lot of onion sets and several rows of potatoes. The ground was not in the best of order but there was the opportunity and I seized it. It was three weeks earlier than I got them in last year and I hope to get the crop in market that much earlier but the fact that southern new potatoes are already selling in the market at twenty cents a half peck doesn't make it look as if there would be much big money in new potatoes for us."

Farmers' Hunting Garlic.

Among the earliest things to make its appearance in the spring," said a dairyman on Monday "is garlic." Keep as close watch as is possible on the nasty weed, there will some get up in your pasture fields, for the slightest rootlet left in the ground will propagate. The cows seem to have an almost insane appetite for it, and will hunt it up, which means that meanest of all things, garlic tainted butter. Just as soon as this rain stops we will make a most diligent search for every stalk of garlic, but I am afraid some will escape our notice, as it almost always does, and then comes a howl from my customers about the butter.

A Remarkable Shirt Tale.

A shirt went through the Bradford laundry with two diamond studs in the bosom and the owner got them back with the shirt, which causes the Kane Leader to remark that this is the most remarkable shirt tale in the history of McKean county.

25,000 MEN IN CONFERENCE.

Sunday night at Derby, Conn. was closed the last of a series of twenty conventions of the state Young Men's Christian Associations which have been meeting during the last two months from Peterboro, Ont., to Lampasses, Tex., and from New Hampshire to California. These conventions had over 5,000 delegates. There have been present at their meetings over 25,000 young men. In these meetings over 1200 addresses, prepared papers and talks, have been given.

The convention in Georgia was called to order by ex-Governor Northen. Men prominent in all positions of life took part in the programs. Governor Cummings of Iowa, speaking to the men at the Minnesota gathering, said, "I look upon the Association as an essential part of the great events which protect the people of this and other countries from the disintegration of immorality. It is a great deal cheaper and more effective to give to the help of the Association than to employ policemen." President Slocum of Colorado University, in speaking to the men of California, said, "As you make young men braver, truer and more responsible to all the higher calls of public and private life, you serve the state and the nation."

The themes for discussion which have elicited the largest interest at these conventions have been, "The care and culture of growing boys, of their bodies and morals." In this the Associations are seeking the best men to be found. At nearly every convention, action leading to the organizations of new Associations in the counties, has been taken. The success of this work by county groups has been demonstrated so that it will, it is expected, double the number of organizations in the country in five years. The progress is limited only by the inability to find trained men of industrial Associations. These are being formed in large manufacturing and other industerial plants, such as was opened at Proctor, Vt. six weeks ago. In Pennsylvania, a series of new Associations formed among the coal miners, show remarkable progress; and in the Carolinas the mill operators in the new towns are receiving attention. At nearly every gathering large sums were raised to extend the Association work in foreign lands.

Great evangelistic meetings for men with attendance of 800 to 2,500, were held on Sunday afternoons, at which a direct appeal to men to live clean, straight, useful Christian lives and devote themselves to service for their fellow men were made with remarkable response.

In almost every state large sums of money were given for the State Committee, to whom credit for the remarkable advance in the movement is due. There are now 37 such State Committees that employ 64 secretaries and spend $165,000 a year in fostering and organizing Associations.

Nearly one-third of the delegates to these gatherings were college men, prominent among whom were the crack athletes, football amd base ball.

The reports presented by State Committees at these conventions, show that the Association is as attractive as a clnb, effective as a police force, educative as a school, and as inspiring as a revival to men. Instead of having fully occupied its field, there are yet as many cities without Associations as with; there is a demand for several thousand county organizations, three or four hundred college Associations, three hundred railroad Associations, scores of organizations in large industrial plants, and a hundred men are called for to man new organizations in foreign lands.

Worthy Master Horton, of the Michigan State Grange, has defined the grange as a fraternal association that will give: "A permanent social gathering for old and young; parliamentary school and literary society, a school for general discussion of important questions; a convenience for legislative influence; a benefit through trade contracts; a saving through Grange fire insurance, a fixed plan for libraries; a financial assistant to the active farmer; a practical school of opportunities for the young." Yet most of us have not realized that the Grange provides for all this. Is it not time we were studying the plans of our own organization?

Was Eve a summer girl? I hate
To answer this at all;
But I can state, at any rate,
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The poorest use a man can make of himself in this world is to devote his whole energies to "making money," says the Windsor *Standard*. After it is made there is apparently so little time left to enjoy it and the making of it so withers every faculty of the soul which would allow the money maker to enter into happiness with his possessions, that even when he gets ready to quit the grind and develop in some other direction, he finds it impossible and can do nothing but go on heaping up wealth that is beyond the possibilities of rational use.

There is a drouth in the maple syrup crop this year that amounts to a veritable famine. The unseasonable weather has put the syrup out of business, for sap will not run. Syrup making hereabout however, is not the flourishing industry it used to be. Not many years ago Columbia County produced a considerable quantity and an excellent quality of this table delicacy, but the groves have yielded to the woodsmen's ax, and the large stately maples have been hewn down for lumber purposes.

A suit before Justice Adkins Wednesday, says the Shickshinny *Echo* brought a number of Sweet Valley men to town. The Bloomsburg Furniture Co. sued the members of the Pleasant Valley Academy association for four desks bought six years ago valued at $46. Dr. J. N. Davenport, Geo. Callender, Corey Allen, A. R. Wolf and D. R. Post answered the summons and were represented by R. R. VanHorn. The defense was that while the desks were billed to the academy they were bought and shipped to E. B. Beishline, who leased the academy. Judgment was given for the furniture company, but an appeal was taken.

The Berwick *Daily Enterprise* will make its appearance for the first time on Monday. It will be issued from the office of the *Enterprise*, by C. A. Rasely. The weekly will not be discontinued, as has been rumored. With a practical man at its head, and an excellent field, the *Daily Enterprise* has a bright future. We bespeak success for the venture. In his announcement, Mr. Rasely says: We are not trying to inveigle a lot of town people into this project (and unload to them at a big profit), but appear to you as a tub standing on its own bottom, embarking in an honest enterprise in an honorable manner."

Central Examinations.

It has been found necessary to change the schedule for pupils' central examinations slightly in order to accommodate all the pupils. The examination for the pupils in Scott township will be held at Espy April 3rd. The pupils of West Berwick borough with those of Briar Creek township will be examined at West Berwick, April 7. Visitors are welcome.

W. W. EVANS.

Rev. Tinker Accepts.

Rev. W. M. Tinker has accepted the pastorate of the local Baptist church and delivered his first sermon Sunday morning to a good sized congregation. His acceptance is a matter of great gratification to the congregation and our townspeople in general are pleased at his return.

Coal Near Sunbury.

According to the Sunbury *Item* there is every indication that a large anthracite coal breaker will be put in operation at Selinsgrove Junction, eight miles from the present coal region.

Practical miners are at work sinking a shaft to work a six foot vein of excellent quality, and the land owners and citizens for miles around are anticipating a new era of prosperity for that section.

Look Out For These Sharpers.

Last week 26 Wilkesbarre school teachers were neatly buncoed out of $2 each by two slick young men who sold to them a six months subscription to Harper's Weekly and six of Kipling's works for the small sum mentioned. One young woman became suspicious and telegraphed Harper & Bros., only to find the wily agents were frauds. They may come this way.

FARM FOR RENT.

The Samuel McHenry farm of 100 acres, in Greenwood township near Rohrsburg on the Orangeville road, is for rent. It is in a good state of cultivation, with good buildings. Good wells of NEVER FAILING WATER at both house and barn.

For particulars address Samuel McHenry, Rohrsburg, Pa. 2t

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Easter Neckwear.
Our difficulty is in finding room enough to show the large variety of new things recently received for dress decoration.

Turn-over collars bought directly from importers and manufacturers.
Worth 15c to 19c, 10c each.
Worth 39c to 50c, 25c each.
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Vacation Stories.

If you are planning a trip to the country this summer be sure to send for "Mountain and Lake Resorts," a little book just issued by the Passenger Department of the Lackawanna Railroad. It will tell you about some of the most delighlful summer resorts in the East, the rates of fare, price of board, and other interesting information. The book is profusely illustrated by more than 175 pictures and contains a delightful love story entitled "For Reasons of State." It will be sent free to anyone by addressing T. W. Lee, General Passenger Agent, Lackawanna Railroad, New York City, and enclosing 5 cents in stamps, to cover postage.

Easter, A Week From Sunday.

Easter is now only a little more than a week distant, and in anticipation of the event, special music is being prepared in nearly all of the churches of town. Sunday next is a day of double significance, inasmuch as it is Palm Sunday, while it will also mark the beginning of holy week. Services will be held daily in St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Extra preparations are being made for the Easter services, which will be elaborate. The musical programs, especially at the two morning services, will be of especial interest. The choir has been rehearsing for the past several weeks the music that will be sung on those occasions, and this longer term has given a familiarity with the music noticeably in advance of former years. The church will be decorated as has been the custom in the past. The first service will commence at 6.45.

Want a Twelve Days' Encampment.

The question of a twelve days' encampment was discussed by the National Guard association at its meeting at Harrisburg. Guardsmen as a rule are in favor of the longer encampment, but, on the other hand, the fear is expressed that owing to the probable inability of so many young men to be absent from their occupation for such a length of time, many of them would refuse to join the guard. This matter will be thoroughly canvassed by the association.

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EGGS FROM PRIZE WINNERS.
Won 6 first and 3 second prizes at Bloomsburg County Fair last fall, with ten pair entered.
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Illegal Trout Fishers at Work.

Complaint is already heard of illegal trout fishing in some of our mountain streams and the "square" fishermen talk of making trouble through the County Fish and Game Protective Association. The law prohibits the catching of trout before April 15. The fine for violation is $25. It further provides that no trout that is less than six inches in length shall be taken from the stream. The fine is $10 for each and every trout found in any one's possession that is under lawful size.

Minister Attempts Suicide.

Rev. John G. Grimes of Nescopeck attempted to commit suicide at Juniata, a suburb of Altoona on Tuesday by shooting himself in the head. The act was committed while he was in a state of despondency, bordering on mental aberation and was brought on it is believed by over study. He was removed to the hospital where an Xray photograph located the bullet just above the left temple. He will recover.

Rev. Grimes has been the pastor of the Methodist church of Nescopeck for the past two years and had gone to Altoona to attend conference. He is thirty-five years of age.

E. Woolsey, the West Main street confectioner, had one of his best and most valuable horses bitten by a mad dog on Saturday and was forced to kill the animal as a precautionary measure. He consulted veterinary surgeon G. H. Welliver who informed him that there was no help for the horse. The dog was killed at Dutch Hill the same day.

Reduced Rates to New Orleans.

Via Pennsylvania Railroad. Account Meeting National Manufacturers' Association.

On account of the meeting of the National Manufacturers' Association at New Orleans, April 15 to 17, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to New Orleans and return, April 11, 12, and 13, good going on date of sale, and good returning to reach original starting point not later than April 19, from all points on its lines, at *reduced rates*. By depositing ticket with Joint Agent at New Orleans between April 12 and 19, and payment of fee of fifty cents, an extension of return limit may be obtained to reach starting point not later than April 30.

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